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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(*From our Regular Correspondent.*)

Washington, Jan. 2, 1904.

Editor Press:—

With all the popularity and open-handed hospitality for which President Roosevelt is justly celebrated, the social season in Washington was inaugurated at the White House on New Years day, with as large and brilliant a reception as has ever been seen within its walls. All the officials of the goverment, and the general public by the thousands, crowded to pay their respects to the first gentleman of the land, who received each one graciously. Even the weather was faultless, a cloudless sky, with the mercury marking 75 degrees, thus ignoring the official prediction of "rain or snow." The Army and Navy officers formed at the War office and marched in long columns from the building. Among the new diplomats present, for the first time were the British Ambassador and the new minister from the infant republic of Panama. Mrs. Roosevelt stood by her husband's side while the public filed past, as glad to see and greet the common people as the officials. She was robed in a rich white satin dress, front breadths richly ornamented with seed pearl embroidery. The waist, cut square in the neck, was also embroided, as were the wide shoulder bands from which fell fluffy chiffon angel sleeves parting at the elbow. Pearls for ornaments. Miss Alice Roosevelt, also in white, stood behind her mother. The President looked anxious and weary, but greeted each visitor with a smile and a shake of the hands. The White House was decked in Christmas greens, impressed one with its atmosphere of elegance, refinement and home-like quality. The President and Mrs. Roosevelt are so frank and hearty in their welcome to all visitors that the public is charmed with the simplicity and sincerity of the republican court. This example has had its influence upon Washington society, and in no other city can be found more democratic or hospitable hosts. After the official reception the people hurried away to attend the other receptions given by cabinet ministers, Admiral Dewey, and other high officials. The happy Admiral surrounded himself with thirty young ladies from navy households, and his parlors were thronged with men in uniform, reminding one of a battle ship clearing for action. On the same day Mrs. Root gave her last reception; Mrs. Cortelou gave her first, and Mr. Moody Secretary of Navy being a bachelor, gave none.

The naval Observatory here announced the beginning of the New Year by telegraph to every city in the country, ticking off the exact second when the first hour commenced. The record was even in Alaska, Guam, and the Philippines.

Anti-imperialists claim that they are not dead yet, having been galvanized into activity by the conduct of our "emperor" in Panama, and they boldly bring forward as their candidate for the presidency before the Democratic convention, Gen. Nelson A. Miles. His strength is not of that kind which anti-expansionists usually prefer, being wholly military and even pugnacious, but it is insisted that he would poll some votes because he got himself reprimanded by the President for imprudent conduct. Miles is a Massachusetts man, and Gamaliel Bradfoed thinks he would carry the state. Whether he would carry the south in view of the fact that he put shackles upon Jefferson Davis is another question. However, it is generally believed that Jefferson Davis is dead.

DEATH'S DOINGS.

HILLYARD.

MRS. LUCY JANE, wife of Harry Hillyard, a respected citizen, died early this morning at the family residence on West Fifth street, aged 33 years. Deceased has been a great sufferer with heart trouble for years and pneumonia having having set in she passed away, leaving a devoted husband and two small children, aged respectively seven and nine. Mrs. Hillyard was highly respected in this community and has many friends. Her remains will no doubt be taken to Watsontown; her former home.

The grief-stricken family are indeed deeply afflicted and have the sympathy of our citizens.

The remains will be taken to Watsontown on Saturday morning the funeral to take place on Monday. Prayer at the residence, by Rev. Mc Caslin.

BELDEN.

EMMITT BSLDEN, aged 25 years, six months and 20 days, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Belden, of More Hill died at the home of his parents on Christmas Eve., of typhoid fever. His funeral took place on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 27th, at More Hill Church and was largely attended. Rev. O. S. Metzler pastor of First Methodist Church officiated at the funeral. The young man was employed in a lumber camp near Johnsonburg when stricken down with the malady and only arrived at his home two or three days before death took him. He is well spoken of by those who knew him, as an industrious young man and kind to his parents.

WOLVERTON.

MRS. SABRIE WOLVERTON aged 44 years and six months, wife of Philip Wolverten, died at the family residence at this place on Dec. 26th, 1903, after a painful illness of eleven months. The funeral services were held on Dec. 28th at Presbyterian Church, Rev. Robt. McCaslin officiating. The funeral was largely atteuded. The bereaved husband, who is a hard working, industrious woodsman, being in the employ of C. B. Howard & Co, keenly feels the loss of his helpmate, who died the death of a true christian. Deceased was a daughter of the venerable John Adams and has resieed here all her life.

COSTELLO.

MRS. ESTHER COSTELLO, aged 72 years, died at Cameron Chutes, Monday, Jan. 4th, 1904, after a long illness. The funeral took place yesterday afternoon at the family residence, interment being made at Emporium. Rev. O. S. Metzler officiated, deceased having for years been a devout member of the Methodist church. The large number of friends that attended the funeral, driving to Emporium, is a testimony to the popularity of this pleasant old lady, who was greatly respected.

Agricultural Society Notice.

Mr. N. A. OSTRUM, Secy.,
Emporium, Pa.,

Dear Sir:—I have collected $1.00 from each of the following persons for dues to the Agricultural Association with 75 cents extra from Mr. Hughes. I have paid the amount, $32.75, to Mr. Gaskill and enclose his receipt.

A. Vogt, J. C. Johnson, Thomas Johnson, B. W. Green, G. F. Balcom, R. P. Heilman, A. W. Mason, C. G. Catlin, N. Seger, Jos. Lechner, Mrs. J. F. Parsons, C. G. Schmidt, F. S. Coppersmith, M. Murphy, J. West Lewis, M. T. Hogan, L. Taggart, M. Leadbetter, J. Cummings, M. Dolan, A C. Blum, C. W. Rishel, A. McDougal, W. McDonald, J. P. McNarney, A. A. McDonald, Chas. Seger, J. A. Fisher, F. Shives, M. C. Tulis, W. Hughes ($1 75) W. F. Lloyd.

All the above are entitled to a receipt showing that their dues are paid to a certain time, and if possible see that they get one signed by you as secretary of the Association.

All the above amount completes the desired amount of $100.00 we are now entitled to a like amount from the Connty Commissioners under the Act of 1851. Mr. Gaskill and myself have seen Mr. C W. Shaffer and requested him to draw up the necessary papers to be presented to the Commissioners upon which they are expected to pay over the amount of $100.00. The President Mr. F. X. Blumle, and the Treas. Mr. E. W. Gaskill will have to sign them; and I have telephoned Mr. Blumle to go to Mr. Shaffer's office in the morning and do so.

Yours truly,
W. H HOWARD.

For Rent.

A good nine room house, located on East Sixth street, Emporium, for rent. House supplied with all the modern conveniences, hot and cold water, furnace, bath, etc. Apply to MISS MAUD THOMAS, Emporium, Pa. 46-tf.

Shippen Caucus.

The Republicans of Shippen Township will meet at the court house, Saturday, Jan. 23rd, 1904, between the hours of two and four, to nominate candidates for the several township offices. All candidates must file their intentions not later than Jan. 20th in order to get their names on the primary election ballot. Names may be left at PRESS office.

JOHN F. LEWIS,
W. L. THOMAS,
Committeemen.

Republican Caucuses.

The Republican Caucuses for the several wards of Emporium will be held at the usual places Saturday evening, Jan. 23, to nominate candidates for the several ward offices; also to elect delegates to attend the Borough convention.

COMMITTEEMEN.

Coming.

The return of the Burglar Co., which will appear here Jan. 19th at opera house. This is the same company that played here last Nov. and gave the best satisfaction of any company this season. Be sure and secure your seats early. Press notices will appear later.

Painful Accident.

William Snyder, who has been employed as fireman on B. & S. R. R., at Sinnamahoning, has been confined to his home at this plaee for two weeks. While stepping from his engine he fell, his right hand striking a dead briar bush, inflicting a serious wound. Dr. Bardwell is attending him. Blood poison set in and lock-jaw was feared.

Who are They?

State Game Warden Kalbfus has been informed that several of his deputies in Cameron county, on December 14th, after the time for killing deer had expired, found four men dragging the carcass of a large buck, which they had just killed. The deputies took the deer from the men and sent the carcass to a hospital and the head to Dr. Kulbfus. The men will be arrested, and each fined $100.—Harrisburg Telegraph.

Killed by Day Express.

While Day Express was approaching Cameron last Friday evening, the engineer noticed a man on the track but unable to stop the train before striking him. The train pushed back where the unfortunate man lay, yet alive. He was brought to Emporium but died within a few minutes after arriving here. When picked up the man gave his name as John Johnson, from White Haven, and stated that he worked in Whiting & Thomas' camp near Cameron. His remains were taken to B. Egan's undertaking rooms and prepared for burial. No clue having been obtained as to the wherebouts of deceased's friends his body was interred on Monday.

To the Farmers of Cameron County.

GENTLEMEN:—

In making up a program for your Institute to be held on Jan 19th and 20th, I thought you would be interested in the question of Rural Telephone, so I requested Mr. Geo. Metzger of Emporium to try and get some one who would address you on this subject. This morning I received the following letter which explains itself.

Yours truly,
W. H. HOWARD,
County Chairman.

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Emporium, Pa., Jan. 5th, 1904.

MR. W. H. HOWARD, Sec'y.

I am glad to inform you that the New York and Penna. Telephone Co., have consented to send their Mr. Wm. Mulford of Corning, N. Y., to address your agricultural meeting, Jan. 20th. Mr. Muford is one of their best engineers, and in writing me regarding the matter he says: "I do not know as I even told you, but I am a Granger, and have kept in touch with this (farmer lines) and kindred Farmers' Institutes." So he will undoubtedly be able to give some valuable ideas and advice. The Telephone Company will only charge his expenses, and I will pay these personally, as I am personally acquainted with the gentleman, so the Association will be to no expense in the matter.

Respectfully,
GEO. METZGER, JR.

Latest Popular Music.

Miss May Gould, teacher of pianoforte, has received a full line of the latest and most popular sheet music. All the popular airs. Prices reasonable. 44-tf.

Mothers' Club.

Mother's Club will hold its next meeting in the High School room, Friday, Jan. 8th, at 3:30 o'clock. All mothers are invited to come Let us have a good attendance.

Condition Serious.

Mrs. A. J. Seifried is in a very serious condition, at the residence of her sister, Mrs. Chas. Hout, West Fifth street. Drs. Bardwell and Good held a consultation on Monday and pronounced her case very serious.

Installation.

Emporium Maccabees will install their new officers, Friday evening, Jan. 15th and expect a large gathering. Grand Record Keeper, L. S. Boyd, of Pittsburg, is expected to be present. Emporium Tent is very prosperous. All members should attend upon this occasion.

Buffalo Flyer in Peril.

Owing to a misplaced switch, the west-bound Buffalo flyer on the Pennsylvania Railroad ran into the siding in the yards at Williamsport, Dec. 30th. The train bumped into a large coal car, which in turn telescoped one empty passenger coach. Fireman Burlew, of Sunbury, was injured. The passengers on the flyer were skaken up in a lively manner.

Star Course.

Tuesday evening, Jan. 19, the third number of the Star Course occurs in the Court House. This will be an entertainment by Rose Crane the art humorist or humorous artist. The program will be decidedly novel. There will be crayon and clay modeling, musical monologues, humorous caricatures, character sketches, musical burlesques, impersonations, transformation scenes, illustrated songs, etc.

Come and enjoy a good laugh. Tickets at Lloyd's, 50 cents.

Successful Firm.

J. S. Hauber, of the firm of Haupt & Hauber, the Broad street wagon manufactory, blacksmiths and carriage dealers, was a social and business visitor to the PRESS sanctum on Monday. We enjoyed the visit from this energetic business man, who comes from a family of hustlers—successful business men every one of them. The firm of Haupt & Hauber have increased their plant at this place and are now prepared to meet any who may come their way.

Be Cautious.

Our citizens shofild exercise the greatest of care during this severe weather, owing to the unfortunate conditton of the fire department hose, most of which is unfit for use, having been frozen at Sunday night's fire. Every effort is being put forward by the department to dry out the hose. Watch the gas stoves carefully—especially at night The gas Company's efficient Supt. at this place, Mr. Kenley, is doing admirably under the circumstances and gives our citizens every ounce of gas possible.

East Ward Fire.

Last Sunday evening, about 7:15, the East Ward Hose House, as well as lock-up, was discovered to be on fire. It was a terrible cold night, deep snow and low pressure of gas, which prevented the fire whistle being heard up town. The Citizen Hose got their hose out and turned on two streams, but the fire was beyond control. When the up-town companies arrived, three fourths of an hour after the first alarm, another stream was thrown on the burning building, by uniting the Mountaineer and Hamilton hose. The flames were subdued but not until the building was almest demolished. Had it not been for the snow upon the roofs of adjoining buildings there is no doubt a great amount of property would have been destroyed. The building was a three story structure. Loss $2,500; insured for $1200 through F. G. Judd & Co, of this place.

Tin Wedding.

On Monday evening, Dec. 28th, a small company of friends called at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. George Guinn, on West Fourth street, to help this popular couple celebrate their tenth wedding anniversary.

After the tin horn band had rendered a selection from Wagner for a serenade, the joyous throng were invited inside where the customary salutations of such an occasion were exchanged. A general good time followed in which even the mistle-toe in its lofty position was not forgotten and then came a delicious luncheon, served on tin, in which all took such a strenuous part, that a recommendadation of Mrs. Guinn's culinary accomplishments was unnecessary.

After a couple of flash-lights of the happy crowd, they conferred the best wishes for many years to come on the bride and groom and agreed that it was one of the most enjoyable events of the season.

Tunnelling Out of Libby Prison.

James M. Wells, one of the surviving actors in that astonishing epic, tells the story himself in the January McClure's. The Libby Prison was the place where were confined, right in the centre of Richmond, some five hundred Federal prisoners during the War of Secession. Fifteen of these prisoners, bound by oath to secrecy dug their way down a wall into the cellar of the prison, and then tunneled out of it and across the street, out to the precarious liberty afforded by the streets of the Confederate capital. Wells tells of the tunneling, of the escape by it of some two hundred prisoners, many of whom were recaptured; and of his own dash out of the city into the Federal lines. The story is one that stirs and impresses with the extraordinary and cunning which comes to the imprisoned man longing for freedom.

New County Officers.

Prothonotary Goodnough and Associate Judge John McDonald entered upon the discharge of their duties last Monday—the former on his fourth term and the latter second term. Both are faithful and competent officials and have served the people well. May their future be as successful.

Jas. R. Batchelder and O. L Bailey, are the new jury Commissioners who entered upon the discharge of their duties last Monday. Both will do their duty well, although they are Republicans.

The Same Gentleman.

Our old friend Jas. T. Gardner, of Chicago, Ills., kindly remembered the PRESS by sending us a desk letter scale. Thanks friend. Mr. Gardner is one of the most prominent railway equipment contractors in the country. His offices are located at No. 1501 Great Northern Building, Chicago, where he will take pleasure in selling you an entire equipment for a railroad if you desire those articles. His friends in the east are always glad to learn of his prosperity.

Another Fire.

Yesterday another fire in East Ward called out the department, although only the Mountaineer and Hooks were required. The transfer office on the freight platform, in the yard at Junction, caught fire and got on a good head of steam when the Mountaineer Company put on a stream, which soon extinguished the flames. The loss will not be much.

Another Meat Market.

Mr. O. B. Barnes has decided to embark in the meat market and grocery business, being a practical butcher. Ccontractor Vau Low and crew are at work erecting a building on the vacant lot east of N. Seger's store. Mr. Barnes is a deserving gentleman and no doubt will secure a share of the public patronage.

Blood Poisoning.

Mathew G. Bournes, who has been in the employ of C. B. Howard & Co., for several years as board piler, ran a large sliver in the fleshy part of the left hand. Fearing that blood poison had set in he was yesterday taken to Williamsport Hospital for treatment, Mr. R. W. Robinson accompaning him.

County Auditors in Session.

County Auditors C. L. Butler and Geo E. Wylie, with their competent accountant, ex-County Treasurer W. L. Thomas, as clerk, are hustling the county audit. Mr. Gordon Howlett, the other auditor is absent in West Virginia.

Not Coming.

Although Nixon & Zimmerman of Philadelphia, made every effort to secure a contracted date for Emporium, they were unable to do so, therefore Emporium will not have the pleasure of witnessing the popular opera "Miss Bob White."

Painful Accident.

Andrew Gallenmiller, at work at Blumle's bottling works, met with a painful accident yesterday morning, by striking his left wrist onto a pair of ice tongs, severing a small artery. Dr. Good was called and soon stopped the flow of blood and dressed the injury.

Fire Department Meeting.

There will be a meeting of Emporium Fire Department next Wednesday evening, at Council room. Let there be a full attendance. Business of importance.

Stricken With Paralysis.

We regret to learn that postmaster Thos. M. Lewis, of Sterling Run, was last Sunday, stricken with paralysis and is confined to his bed. His many friends hope he may recover.

WEATHER REPORT.
(Forecast by T. B. Lloyd.)
FRIDAY, Rain or snow.
SATURDAY, Rain and Snow.
SUNDAY, Fair.

BRIEF MENTION.

Everybody reads the PRESS.

Big inducements in clothing at N. Seger's.

The best goods at the lowest prices at N. Seger's.

By gravy, as Lyman Wiley would say, it has been cold this week.

A horse, owned by E. B. Freeman, dropped dead on Fourth street, yesterday.

N. Seger is offering some big bargains. Now is the time to buy you clothing.

The Port Allegany glass bottle factory was damaged by fire last week, to amount of $15,000.

The cheapest is not always the best but the best is always the cheapest at N. Seger's. Call and see him.

FOUND—A pair of steel framed spectacles. Owner can have same by calling at P. R. Beattie's store and paying 25c for this notice.

Attendance prizes of a barrel of flour, ½ barrel of flour, a ham and a pig will be given each day at the Farmers Institute on Jan. 19 and 20.

LOST—Between Court House and M. C. Tulis' store, via Broad street, a pair of gold rimmed spectacles. Finder will be rewarded by leaving same with Mrs. M H. Dodge on Walnut street.

"He is 'gone to that bourne from whence there is no return," wrote the obituary editor. The proof reader was careless and it came out: "He is gone to that burn from whence," etc. And that was why the bereaved relatives of the deceased stopped their paper.

Those who confine themselves mostly to a vegetable diet are less likely to be attacked by smallpox than persons who eat much meat. Most vegetables are more or less alterative, while meats and fats have a tendency to corrupt the blood. Eat plenty of vegetables and fruits, especially celery and apples, and you are likely to keep healthy.—Ex.

Rear End Collision.

[Ridgway Democrat.]

Fireman William Meagher was fatally injured, Engineers Edward Rhawn and John Cashman were injured in a rear end collision near Rathbun last Sunday morning about 3:30, when the engine of freight train No. 97 ran into the pusher of train No. 99, badly damaging both locomotives.

Fireman Meagher was caught between the tank and cab as he was trying to jump, and was carried about 150 feet from were the accident occurred, pinned in the wreck, when the train slacked and released his legs, and the unfortunate man rolled into the ditch alongside the track. Both legs were crushed to a pulp. Engineer Cashman escaped from the wreck by jumping, and was fortunate in getting off with a broken ankle and severe bruises about the head caused by his fall after jumping. Engineer Rhawn and Fireman Reed of No. 97 were bruised about the body and head, but were only silghtly injured The latter train had the right of way and did not expect No 99 to be on the hill, but owing to the storm they were making slow time, barely 10 miles an hour, while No. 97 was running nearly 30 miles an hour The accident was an unavoidable one owing to the weather conditions. The injured fireman was placed on an engine and taken to St. Marys, where he died about four hours later. Deceased was aged about 19 years, and had been in the employ of the road about eight months. He was sober and industrious, and a most exemplary young man. He is survivee by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Meagher, one brother, Morris Meagher and a sister, all of St. Marys. He was a member of West Branch Lodge No. 338, Brotherhood of Locomative Firemen, at Renovo, a large delegation of which organization attended the funeral. Funeral services were held Wednesday morning at the Catholic church at St. Marys, and burial was made in the Catholic cemetery.

Eye Specialist.

Prof. W. H. Budine, the well known Eye Specialist, of Binghamton, N. Y., will be at R. H. Hirsch's jewelry store, Emporium, Pa., January 15th and 16th. If you can't see well or have headache don't fail to call and see Prof. Budine, as he guarantees to cure all such cases. Lenses ground and fitted in old frames. Eyes tested and examined free. All work guaranteed.

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The Job department of the PRESS is complete and affords facilities for doing the best class of work. PARTICULAR ATTENTION PAID TO LAW PRINTING.

No paper will be discontinued until arrearages are paid, except at the option of the publisher.

Papers sent out of the county must be paid for in advance.

Medicine and Temperance.

Whenever the Woman's Christian Temperance union is touched upon, one instinctively looks for controversy, for whatever one may think of the principle that organization stands for, no one can deny that it fights hard for what it undertakes. It is, therefore, with some apprehension that we note the fight that is being made against belladonna and aconite as occupants of the family medicine chest. The South Side Woman's Christian Temperance union, of Rochester, met a few days ago, according to the New York Post, to discuss "the family medicine chest and what it should contain." When the attention of the members was called to the terrible fact that both belladonna and aconite contain alcohol, there was no hesitation in deciding that they should be banished promptly. Every woman at this epoch-making meeting was armed with a list of the remedies an ideal family medicine chest should contain. When these had been well shaken together and diluted with a flood of discussion, it was found that the articles indispensable to the chest were: Sirup of ipecac, peppermint, wintergreen, nux vomica, vaseline, turpentine, ammonia, baking soda, glycerine, witch hazel, castor oil, nitre, bandages, flannels, borax, camphor, and quinine. Not a word was spoken for some of the good old remedies that have been cherished for generations: Cod liver oil, sassafras tea, mustard plasters, and sulphur and molasses—all three were as if they did not exist. We may be persuaded to spare aconite and belladonna—they have a sort of homoeopathic suggestion anyway, not to speak of the devil that lurks in the alcohol they contain—but it would be only common generosity for the Rochester Woman's Christian Temperance union to let us keep the good old remedies.

Special Train for a Servant Girl.

It is not often that a servant girl is carried to her destination by a special train, but that is what happened recently, according to a dispatch from West Chester, Pa., in the Chicago Inter Ocean: "A special train was run over the Pennsylvania road from here to Oakbourne last night. The distance is two miles, and the only passenger was a servant girl who did not pay for the special. The girl came up from Philadelphia on a ticket reading to Oakbourne. In some way the conductor of the train overlooked the fact that he had a passenger for that station and ran on to this place. The girl showed her ticket and refused to leave the train. The conductor fumed and offered to send her back in a carriage, but she refused to compromise. The train was held while the official telegraphed to headquarters at Medina, where word came to run a special train of an engine and one car back to Oakbourne for the girl's accommodation. The girl smiled broadly during the entire trip."

The farmer who is out of debt and has his corn crop in the crib, his stock well housed and his larder supplied with buckwheat flour and fresh sausage, is in a position of greater independence than Pierpont Morgan, Chauncey Depew, John D. Rockefeller or any other feller. There may be times when the lot of the farmer is full of care and anxiety, but most of them are content and very independent these cool days.

Not so many, many years ago a disturbance on Wall street or in the monetary circles of the east had the immediate effect of throwing the west into a condition of unrest—sometimes of panic—but nowadays the west simply steadies itself when Wall street gets flurried and eastern banks go tumbling, and this steadiness soon encourages the east to take heart against impending disaster and to right itself financially.

Do women really want to vote? With sadness, says the Atlanta Journal, we are compelled to state our belief that no appreciable percentage of them do care much about it. With sadness, we say, because we also believe that if the majority of them did care to do so, and would take the trouble to inform themselves thoroughly, the results of their balloting would be very beneficial.

ENGLAND AND PROTECTION.

Political Economists Trying to Bring About the American System.

The London correspondent of the Protectionist makes an interesting presentation of the campaign carried on by Joseph Chamberlain and those in political and economic sympathy with him who are endeavoring to bring about a system of moderate protection for British industries. The correspondent says the time has come when it is possible to gauge the results of the work of education which Mr. Chamberlain has been carrying on and to form some estimate of public opinion as to the policy proposed, and he makes this summary:

"There is undoubtedly a complete absence of enthusiasm for duties on grain, meat and dairy produce; they have no attraction for either the public or business people, although it is felt that it would be fair to make such concessions to the colonies for an adequate preference on manufactures. There is, on the other hand, a very decided feeling throughout the country and among all classes (except, of course, the rabid Cobdenites, who form a very small minority) in favor of duties on foreign manufactures whereby they may be kept out of this country. Nearly every manufacturer in nearly every branch of industry hopes to receive some advantage from duties averaging ten per cent. on imports of manufactures. They may not keep out in every case the foreign brands; they may not even increase the prices; but they will alleviate the severity of competition. The millers, farmers and landowners look in the same way upon the suggested duty on imports of foreign grain, flour, meat, cattle and dairy produce. Manufacturers are nearly all of opinion that the proposed duties on their products would not check imports. In their judgments such duties would in certain trades be paid by the foreign maker and his agents, reducing their profits. In other cases they think they would be added to the retail price, but in any case competition, owing to the necessary customs and other formalities, would be made more difficult to foreign imports, while prices would be changed only little, if at all.

"In the engineering and machinery trades, so far as can be ascertained only four per cent. of the manufacturers are against the proposed duties. This view is based on the belief that users of machinery in England would have to pay the duties, and that they would tend to increase colonial and foreign competition. Forty-two per cent. of the makers think that the duties would not exclude machinery; 34 per cent. believe they would have that effect, and 20 per cent. are undecided, believing that the duties would have no effect either way. The opinion seems to be very general that an average duty of ten per cent. would not injure exports in these trades, though it would to a small extent reduce the imports from abroad and improve home trade to that extent.'

The conclusion of the whole matter is, says the Troy Times, that there is a wide belief that as a result of adopting protection prices will go up all around, but that the resulting benefits to the trades most directly interested will more than counterbalance that advance, because British artisans will no longer be forced to face foreign competition, especially from the United States and Germany—in a word, that "the Chamberlain policy will help the British manufacturer to secure a greater hold upon the home trade than is possible under the present regime." That is sound protection argument as it has been presented on this side of the water, and American protectionists have no objection to the proposed change. They will take their chances in competing with others in England and elsewhere, for they do not begrudge their English brethren the advantages to be obtained from a system which has worked so well in this country.

Facts Upset Them.

Certainly all the preconceived notions of the free traders and the predictions they have made as to the ultimate result of protection have been ruthlessly upset by actual facts. We have been told over and over again that other countries would not buy of the United States if it maintained a tariff barrier. Yet the United States is exporting more of its products than ever before. It was also alleged that we could never hope to compete in the markets of the world with our highly protected manufactures. Our sales abroad of manufactured goods are constantly increasing, and the superiority and relative cheapness of our goods receive more and more positive acknowledgment as their merits become known. No wonder the Englishman with ingrained conviction as to the infallibility of free trade as a means of assuring a big commerce finds himself in a somewhat dazed condition.— Troy Times.

☞It seems that the democratic party desires to go on record once more as opposing anything that looks like a step forward.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

☞Mr. Bryan remarks that "Cleveland's friends, by supporting the republican party, give emphasis to points of similarity rather than to points of difference." By way of an issue in 1904 the democrats might try to be as near like republicans as possible. That course would be within one step of good politics.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

☞It is pretty hard for democrats to get together on anything nowadays, it seems. The minority members of congress want to oppose the Panama treaty but cannot muster up courage to do so. And the democratic senatorial caucus broke up in disagreement, some of those present wishing to amend the Cuban reciprocity bill but none of them having a very clear idea as to where they were at. And that is about the general condition of the party.—Troy Times.

☞Senator Gorman should not complain because the republican senators circumvented him in the Cuban reciprocity matter. Nine or ten years ago the Maryland man, when the Wilson act was before his branch of congress, was master of the situation in that body. A good many things have taken place since then in this country. One of these things is the expansion of the republican party and the shrinkage of the democracy. Gorman is a very small personage in the politics of the United States to-day, and this is a circumstance on which the United States is to be congratulated.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

ANTI-ROOSEVELT MANEUVERS.

Buccaneer Democrats Resorting to Their Usual Methods to Defeat the President.

The Cincinnati Commercial-Tribune comes forward with a third editorial, warning the republican party against the nomination of Mr. Roosevelt. This, like the other two, is in a high key, says the Washington Star, and very strongly suggests the siren of a railroad locomotive speeding along with its wheels well greased with Standard oil. If the Pierpont Morgan-Rockefeller trust and mine owners' combination, whose anti-Roosevelt maneuvers have been so thoroughly exposed within the past few days, had prepared these deliverances they would not have differed in any degree from their present nature. They contribute to the purpose of that combination, and meet its wishes. But these lively blasts awaken no echo, and leave their author or authors exposed and ridiculous. If they have served any other than the purpose intended it has been to show that the president is easily the one man his party has in view for next year's nomination. Outside of trust and disgruntled railroad circles, no other name is seriously mentioned at all.

The enormous amount of money represented in this anti-Roosevelt crusade is something for the people to consider. Mr. Rockefeller is the richest man in the world; Pierpont Morgan is very rich; the disgruntled railroad interests command hundreds of millions of dollars; the big trusts are numerous; the coal mine owners control milions of capital. The operations of all these interests are widely extended, and they employ a great army of men. If they are as active as this in the green tree, what may be expected of them in the dry? When they fail—as they will fail—to defeat Mr. Roosevelt for the nomination, what turn will they take to try to defeat him at the polls? How many "inquiries" will they make then about local sentiment here and there, and how many favorable responses will they receive?

And the people, we may be sure, will consider these things. The people's best interests are menaced by them. Here is an effort to control both parties. The first play is for control of the republican party. That will fail. Then attention will be centered on the democratic party. Who is the man that this great plutocratic crowd want for the democratic nomination? And how will they make play for him?

These buccaneers should be, and will be, defeated. They are without politics or scruple, turning from one party to the other as time runs, and endeavoring to use both for individual as against the public interests. Being in a close corner now, they are a little more open than ordinary. Their tactics are a little closer to the naked eye.

DEMOCRATS WILL OBSTRUCT.

to Defeat the Wishes of Malcontents Combine with Railroads the People.

It is evident that the democratic senators are about to come to the aid of the transcontinental railroads by refusing to advise and consent to any treaty with the republic of Panama for the construction of a canal. As they have more than one-third of the senate, it is plain that they can prevent the ratification of any such treaty, and as the "steering committee" is said to be unanimously in favor of opposition on partisan grounds, we may be sure that the railroad magnates feel that the bogy of canal competition is effectively suppressed for the present, says the San Francisco Chronicle.

The session of congress preceding a presidential election is a time when all other issues are subordinated by the minority to attempts to put the party in power in what is hoped to be "a hole." It is certain that the present session will be no exception to the rule, and probable that it will prove to be a shining example. It may well be doubted, however, whether an attempt to prevent the construction of an isthmian canal by the only route by which it now seems that it can be constructed will be found "good politics." The people of the United States want the canal. The transcontinental railroad corporations do not want it. The route decided upon is in possession of the republic of Panama. That republic wishes to promptly negotiate a treaty to enable us to promptly build the canal. The democrats, for what they think to be good partisan motives, propose to join the corporations to defeat the will of the people. That is undoubtedly good railroad politics and should assure very large railroad contributions to the democratic campaign fund, but while it may bring money, we do not think it will bring votes.

☞If Senator Hoar can get any satisfaction out of the fact that his recent attack on President Roosevelt's action in the Panama affair has given much aid and comfort to the democrats he is a queer sort of republican. By the way, can any person recall any progressive or constructive policy that was ever originated by Senator Hoar? As an academic fault finder and didactic scold he has been much in evidence, but his achievements in the way of practical statesmanship are nil. — Indianapolis Journal.

☞William Jennings Bryan and Mark Twain are both in Italy. Mark Twain told the Italians, by way of a good joke, that he is a candidate for president of the United States. It has not been reported that Mr. Bryan has yet attempted any such witticism in regard to himself. —Indianapolis Journal.

☞Senator Foraker but states the facts when he says that the republicans will be stronger in the next presidential campaign, with the record of the Roosevelt administration for an issue, if they put the president at the head of their ticket than they would be if they nominated somebody else.—Cleveland.

OUTLOOK FOR 1904.

Bradstreets' Review of Trade Conditions—Country Stronger Financially Than Five Years Ago—Satisfactory Business may be Looked For.

New York, Dec. 31.—In its annual review of the business year of 1903, Bradstreets says:

Nineteen hundred and three was a year of irregularity in speculation, distributive trade and industry—in some cases of severe strains variously applied and as differently withstood. As the residuary legatee of at least five years of great prosperity, it had to bear cumulative effects of previous years' mistakes, and at the same time to carry burdens having their inception in the year itself.

Yet the tests were well withstood and, while excess occurred, the course of events so far has proved that the general trade foundation was essentially sound, and that the structure reared upon it was in the main well built.

Summarizing the year's developments, the review calls attention to the excellent condition of trade and industry during the first quarter and the multiplication of labor troubles during the second quarter, June 1 seeing the largest number of men out of employment in many years. Building construction at many large cities was checked, and it was practically at a standstill at New York throughout the summer. The high price of cotton caused the more or less constant idleness of 2,000,000 spindles and 100,000 operatives in the middle of the year, while reductions in wages of many thousands of workers in the last months impaired the purchasing ability of the industrial element.

It is with a chastened spirit, coupled with some doubt, the review concludes, that the business community awaits the developments of 1904. Unsatisfactory conditions are sufficiently widespread to take away some of the buoyant feeling with which the advent of recently preceding years has been contemplated. Efforts to revise costs of production and readjustments to meet changed demand and supply conditions have made good progress.

The presidential campaign may be unsettling, though not, as in previous years, a source of financial disquiet. The strength of the agricultural interest makes for confidence in good trade in the country's basic industry. Building operations bear a better appearance. Free exports of excess manufactures and minerals are to be expected, but as yet no evidences exist of overproduction. Up to the middle of 1903 the country had been traveling at a swift pace, but no marked signs of over extension are visible. Moreover, the United States of today is in a far stronger position than it was ten, or even five years ago, and we owe less abroad than ever before. There are still some cloud shadows, but the barometer has begun to rise, and the commercial world may expect a fairly satisfactory business.

BOODLERS BUSY.

More Evidence as to Crooked Work by the School Board of Kansas City, Kan.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 31.—Further evidence of boodling on the part of members of the board of education of Kansas City, Kan., was presented before the grand jury yesterday. George McL. Miller testified, it is said, that another member of the board had agreed to secure for the agent of a Chicago book firm, for a bribe of $700, the contract for supplying the public schools of the city with books.

George Morrison is said to have testified that when he tried to sell the board of education a site for a school building for $3,000, agreeing to divide his commission, that the member told him that he came too late. Later another real estate man sold the same site to the board for $4,000.

Mr. Morrison also testified that he had paid rebates on insurance to a clerk of the board.

An Important Decision.

Pittsburg, Dec. 31.—In the United States circuit court yesterday Judge Acheson handed down an opinion in the case of William Doyle vs. the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Co. which will be far-reaching in its effect. In the opinion Judge Acheson virtually says that a railroad company is responsible for the full value of goods lost in transit, notwithstanding the printing of a clause on the face of the bill of lading calling for a maximum allowance for release, unless the agreement as to value shall have been made between the railroad and the shipper, and also agreement as to freight rate, and the signature of the shipper secured to the agreement.

A Republican Love Feast.

Indianapolis, Dec. 31.—Republicans from every section of Indiana attended the annual "love feast" of the party in this state yesterday. Senator Charles W. Fairbanks made a brief address in which he said he had no doubt that President Roosevelt would complete the work of the isthmian canal without any act of national dishonor, although his way is beset by serious embarrassments. Senator Beveridge also spoke.

Explosion in a Brewery.

Quincy, Ill., Dec. 31.—By an explosion of a rice cooker in the main building of the Dick Brewing Co. yesterday the building was almost completely wrecked. Parts of machinery, brick work and girders were hurled a hundred feet or more. Leo J. Goores, a watchman, was the only person in the building at the time and was badly hurt. Loss $60,000.

Found Silver in Coiner's Trunk.

Atchison, Kan., Dec. 31.—A trunk belonging to W. N. Lockett, the confessed counterfeiter arrested at Leavenworth and containing ten pounds of melted silver, was found yesterday in his room on a farm north of Atchison where Lockett had worked as a farm hand. The police are certain that Lockett had confederates and that they have operated extensively in this section.

DUN'S REVIEW.

A Summary of Trade Conditions During Holiday Week.

New York, Jan. 2.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says:

Violent fluctuations in cotton and uncertainty regarding the situation in the far east were the only significant factors in the business situation during the holiday week. Numerous expressions of confidence are heard regarding the future, especially at the west and south. Manufacturing plants have taken a longer vacation than last year, but many announce resumption of work on Monday.

Textile mills are confronted with a lack of proper proportion between prices of raw material and finished products, and it is evident that costs of production must be held down in some way or much machinery will become idle. Transportation lines are well engaged in handling grain, live stock, fuel and lumber, while earnings thus far reported for December exceed the previous year an average of 5.6 per cent.

Few new contracts for iron and steel are reported, yet the general level of quotations is fairly maintained, and better conditions are expected early in 1904. Several special transactions are reported in billets and wire rods at concessions, but these do not affect list figures.

Failures this week numbered 232 in the United States, against 298 last year, and in Canada 17, compared with 8 a year ago.

WE WANT THEM.

Germany Will Not be Allowed to Acquire a Coaling Station in the Danish West Indies.

Washington, Jan. 1.—Information has reached Washington to the effect that Germany is making a quiet but determined effort to secure possession of a coaling station at St. Thomas, one of the Danish West Indian islands. The news comes in a manner that requires further confirmation before official notice can be taken of it, and as such rumors have not been infrequent in recent years and generally proven to be groundless the state department is disposed to move with the greatest circumspection in the matter.

As the United States government has offered a fair price for the Danish West Indian islands, a prices which the executive branch of the Danish government consented to accept by the signature of a treaty, even though the latter was rejected by the Danish rigsdag, it is the feeling here that the matter has progressed too far to allow any third party to come between the United States and Denmark in this transaction. In other words, Denmark is expected to sell the islands to the United States or to retain them.

Engineers Strike.

Chicago, Jan. 1.—A strike of engineers was declared Thursday against 125 office buildings in Chicago. Agents of the union said men would be called out of 20 more buildings. At the Masonic Temple one engineer refused to leave his post. One obeyed union orders and quit. The elevators continued to run. The strike was ordered upon the refusal of the Business Managers' association to pay the scale demanded—37½ cents an hour. It was announced that the union was backed by the steam power council and expects to shut off the coal supply of the buildings under the union ban.

Three Killed, Four Injured.

Chicago, Jan. 2.—Three persons were killed and four others injured in a fire last night that destroyed the Louvre Hotel, 3611-3623 Lake avenue. Nearly 100 guests were in the hotel at the time the fire broke out, several of whom had retired for the night. With the remembrance of the Iroquois theatre horror fresh in their minds, every one in the place became panic-stricken and rushed madly for the streets as soon as it became known that the hotel was on fire. At a late hour the dead had not been identified. The building was practically destroyed.

Miles Makes a Prediction.

St. Louis, Jan. 1.—Lieut. Gen. Nelson A. Miles, U. S. A., retired, who stopped here Thursday, en route east, said in an interview "If war is declared between Russia and Japan it will involve all the nations of Europe." Asked if he meant that all the nations in Europe would come to the aid of either Russia or Japan, he said: "Yes, they would become involved in that way." He declined to say whether he thought this country would become involved or not.

A Big Cut in Wages.

Pittsburg, Jan. 1.—The employes of the Homestead steel works received definite news yesterday as to the extent of the wage reduction and great dissatisfaction was caused. The tonnage men suffered a severe cut and the rollers averaged a 40 per cent. reduction. The shear men, who formerly made $8 or $9 a day, will now have to work long hours to make $5. A considerable number of the employes walked out of the mills.

Depot Damaged by Fire.

Bethlehem, Pa., Jan. 2.—Fire last night gutted and badly damaged the large Union depot of the Lehigh Valley and the Philadelphia & Reading railroads. The United States Express Co. removed safely all valuable packages and over $200,000 in money to the Wilbur bank. The damage will amount to many thousand dollars.

McClellan Is Mayor of New York.

New York, Jan. 2.—George B. McClellan became mayor of New York City yesterday. He arrived at the city hall accompanied by his secretary, and walked through lines of democrats under an arch of plants and flowers to the mayor's reception room, where he was greeted by the retiring mayor. All the democrats in town seemed to be on hand, and long lines, reaching to the city hall steps, were formed by the police. It took a long time for the democratic enthusiasts to file by the mayor's desk. After the reception the new heads of departments were sworn in.

On the Spot.

He—Queer habit Miss Passay has when you're talking to her.

She—Doesn't she listen?

He—Oh, very attentivevly, but she keeps nodding her head and interjecting "Yes, yes," all the time.

She—I think she has fallen into that habit waiting for some man to propose.—Philadelphia Press.

Dissimilar Opinion.

"I found a four-leaved clover this morning," said the young lady boarder. "There is an old saying that the finder will be married within a year."

"Huh!" growled the old bachelor at the pedal extremity of the table. "I always thought the finding of a four-leaved clover was an omen of good luck."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Precise.

Miss Wabash—Last Saturday was your birthday, wasn't it?

Miss Boston—Preposterous! How can you be so silly?

Miss Wabash—What's the matter with that?

Miss Boston—Last Saturday was the anniversary of my birth. I'm not an infant.—Philadelphia Press.

Matter of Choice.

"George, dear," said the homely bride who had half a million in her own right, "why did you ever marry such an ugly girl as me?"

"You may not be a beauty, dear," answered truthful George, "but you're worth your weight in gold; besides, I either had to marry or go to work."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

The Close Season Now.

Gaylord—Nice reputation you've got.

Wildairs—What's the matter with it?

Gaylord—Well, Mrs. Freckledby was telling me how glad she is you don't call on her daughters.

Wildairs—Huh, she needn't be afraid—the season for "speckled beauties" don't open till April.—N. Y. Times.

A Distinguished Personage.

"I'm sorry," said the private secretary, "but the president will not see you."

"Try again, won't you?" persisted the white house visitor, "tell him I'm the man in the brown hat that stood in the crowd when the rough riders left Tampa for the front."—Philadelphia Press.

Her Moment of Victory.

Bella's watch slipped out of her belt and fell upon the stone sidewalk.

"Oh, what a pity!" exclaimed the other girls.

"Not at all!" said Bella, with a cry of triumph. "Papa is always telling me I pinch my waist. This will show him I don't!"—Chicago Tribune.

His Ideal.

Editor—What do you mean by "a girl of rare intelligence, and one who refused to take advantage of alleged advantages offered her?"

Critic—Simply this—she does not dance, sing, or play, but she can sharpen a lead pencil, drive a nail and keep a secret.—N. Y. Times.

Just Like Politicians.

"What are the wild waves saying?" murmured the woman as she stood on the silver lining of the mighty main.

"Nothing, Maria," replied the man, hoarsely; "they are like some people we know—they make a great deal of noise, but don't say anything."—Tit-Bits.

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FIRE HORROR AT CHICAGO.

Nearly Six Hundred People Perished in the Iroquois Theatre.

It was an Awful Catastrophe---Women and Children Fatally Burned in Their Seats.

Hundreds of People Trampled to Death in the Wild Rush to Escape from the Burning Buildi---Explosions of Gas Added Terror to the Dreadful Scene.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—About 550 people were killed in ten minutes Wednesday afternoon during a fire in the Iroquois Theatre, the newest, the largest and as far as human power could made it, the safest theatre in Chicago. Estimates of the dead and injured vary. The police account of the dead is 536. The estimate of the newspapers is 562. Besides this there are 55 people missing, the majority of whom are probably among the dead in the morgue and various undertaking establishments.

The fire broke out during the second act of the play "Mr. Blue Beard," which was the first dramatic production given in the theatre since its erection. The company, which was very large, escaped to the street in safety, nearly all of them, however, being compelled to flee into the snowy streets with no clothing but their stage costumes. A few members of the company sustained minor injuries.

The accounts of the origin of the fire are conflicting and none of them certain, but the best reason given is that an electric wire near the lower part of a piece of drop scenery suddenly broke and was grounded. The fire spread rapidly toward the front of the stage, causing the members of the chorus who were then engaged in the performance to flee to the wings with screams of terror. The fire up to this time was not serious and probably could have been checked had not the abestos curtain failed to work. As soon as the fire was discovered, Eddie Foy, the chief comedian of the company, shouted to lower the curtain, and this was immediately done. It descended about half way and then stuck.

The fire thus was given practically a flue through which a strong draft was setting, aided by the doors which had been thrown open in the front of the theatre. With a roar and a bound, the flames shot through the opening over the heads of the people on the first floor and reaching clear up to those in the first balcony, caught them and burned them to death where they sat.

Immediately following this rush of flames there came an explosion which lifted the entire roof of the theatre from its walls, shattering the great skylight into fragments. As soon as the flames first appeared beyond the curtain a man in the rear of the hall shouted "Fire! Fire!" and the entire audience rose as one person and made for the doors.

It is believed that the explosion was caused by the flames coming in contact with the gas reservoirs of the theatre, causing them to burst.

As near as can be estimated about 1,300 people were in the theatre. Three hundred of these were on the first floor, the balance being in the two upper balconies and in the hallways back of them.

The theatre is modelled after the Opera Comique in Paris and from the rear of each balcony there are three doors leading out to passageways toward the front of the theatre. Two of these doorways are at the end of the balcony and one in the center.

Outside of the people burned and suffocated by gas, it was in these two doorways on the first and second balconies that the greatest loss of life occurred. When the firemen entered the building the dead were found stretched in a pile reaching from the head of the stairway at least eight feet from the door, back to a point about five feet in the rear of the door.

This mass of dead bodies in the center of the doorway reached to within two feet of the top of the passageway. All of the corpses at this point were women and children. The fight for life which must have taken place at these two points is something that is simply beyond human power adequately to describe. Only a faint idea of its horror could be derived from the aspect of the bodies as they lay. Women on top of these masses of dead had been overtaken by death as they were crawling on their hands and knees over the bodies of those who had died before.

Bodies lay in the first and second balconies in great numbers. In some places they were piled up in the aisles three and four deep, where one had fallen and others tripped over the prostrate forms, and all had died where they lay, evidently suffocated by the gas. Others were bent over backs of seats where they had been thrown by the rush of people for the doors and killed with hardly a chance to rise from their seats.

In the aisles nearest to the doors the scenes were harrowing in the extreme. Bodies lay in every conceivable attitude half naked, the look on their faces revealing some portion of the agony which must have preceded their death. There were scores and scores of people whose entire face had been trampled completely off by the heels of those who rushed over them and in one aisle the body of a man was found with not a vestige of clothing, flesh or bone remaining above his waist line.

The entire upper portion of his body had been cut into mincemeat and carried away by the feet of those who trampled him.

The theatre had been constructed but a short time and all its equipment was not yet in place. This was unfortunately the case with a fire escape in the rear of the building. The small iron balconies to which the iron ladder was to be attached were up, but the ladder had not yet been constructed. When the panic was at its height a great number of women ran for these fire escapes, only to find as they emerged from the doorway up on the little iron platform, that they were 30 to 50 feet from the ground, a fire behind and no escape in front.

Those who reached the platform first endeavored to hold their footing and to keep back the crowd that pressed upon them from the rear. The effort was utterly useless and in a few moments the iron ledges were jammed with crowds of women who screamed, fought and tore at each other like maniacs. This lasted but a brief interval, and the rush from the interior of the building became so violent that many of them were crowded off and fell to the granite-paved alley below. Others leaped from the platform, fracturing legs and arms and two were picked up at this point with fractured skulls, having been killed instantly.

The building in which the calamity occurred stands midway between State and Dearborn streets on the north side of Randolph street.

Although all the patrol wagons and every ambulance owned by the city was pressed into service, they were utterly inadequate to carry away the dead and in a short time there was a line of corpses 50 feet long piled two and three high on the sidewalk in front of the theatre.

Doctors and trained nurses were on the ground by the score within half an hour after the extent of the calamity was known, and every wounded person who was carried from the building receiving prompt medical aid.

Chicago, Jan. 1.—For the first time since Chicago has possessed bells to peal, whistles to shriek, and horns to blow, the old year was allowed silently to take its place in history and the New Year permitted to come with no evidence of joy at its birth.

The list of dead continues as it was given Wednesday, in the neighborhood of 560. It is generally accepted at this time that the most accurate estimate is 564. This number will be increased somewhat, as there are people in the hospitals who cannot survive for any length of time. It is believed, however, that the total number of dead will not in any event exceed 575. Including the missing, it is estimated that the total number of casualties at the present time is approximately 1,000.

The best evidence obtainable is to the effect that the fire was caused by the sparks from an arc light striking the edge of the drop curtain, but the actual fact, however, will not be known until after the conclusion of the coroner's inquest.

Although the Iroquois theatre was undoubtedly the safest theatre in Chicago, it became evident yesterday that the city building department had not strictly enforced one or two sections of the building ordnances.

Chicago, Jan. 2.—Mayor Carter Harrison yesterday took steps to provide as far as possible against a repetition of Wednesday's horror at the Iroquois Theatre. As a result of an investigation made at his orders and lasting but a few hours, 19 theatres and museums were ordered closed, some of them being among the leading and most popular playhouses of the city. The act of the mayor was based on one single violation of the ordinances which are intended to protect the patrons of theatres from just such an occurrence as that which cost so many lives on Wednesday. This was that every one of these places had omitted to supply an asbestos curtain. The theatres ordered closed are:

Howard's, Sam T. Jack's, Marlowe, New American, Olympic, Academy of Music, Alhambra, Avenue, Bijou, Chicago Opera House, Columbus Stock, Thirty-first Street, Criterion, Fiegenbaum's, Milwaukee Avenue, Garrick and Glickman's.

Superintendent of Schools Cooley announced last night that the theater fire had killed 24 teachers in the Chicago public schools and six teachers are still reported missing.

Mayor Harrison in company with Building Commissioner Williams, Alderman Mayer and several architects visited the Iroquois Theatre building and went over it thoroughly.

H. H. Marshall, the architect of the building, accompanied the mayor throughout the trip.

The failure to comply with the ordinance requirement that exits shall be indicated by printed signs struck the mayor, and when he noted that heavy damask curtains hung before some of these doors he inquired of Architect Marshall why they had been placed there. Mr. Marshall replied that it was done to improve the appearance of the place. It was also noted by the mayor that the ordinance requirement which insists that galleries above the ground floor must each have a separate stairway leading to the street had been disregarded.

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WAGES CUT.

Thousands of Steel Workers Begin the New Year by Accepting Lower Pay.

Pittsburg, Jan. 2.—The 3,000 employes of the Edgar Thomson steel works and 11 blast furnaces of the Carnegie Steel Co. at Braddock's yesterday accepted the reduction in wages offered them. There was but little objection to the scale except in some of the smaller departments, where day wages and salaries are paid. The tonnage men in the converting mills and bloom mills of the rail plant receive the heaviest cut, which is from 12 to 22 per cent.

At Monessen the new wage scale of the American Tin Plate Co. went into effect at the National works. It is said the salary of Superintendent W. H. Harris was cut from $6,000 to $3,000 a year. The brick masons were reduced from 50 cents an hour to 25 cents, and rather than accept the 50 per cent. reduction they refused to work. Superintendent Harris also tendered his resignation, to take effect today. The tonnage men are not affected by the cut, owing to the operation of the Amalganated scale effective until July 1.

At the Carnegie Steel Co.'s steel hoop mill at Monessen the reduction will average about 10 per cent. It was accepted with good grace by the men and the mill is working full. The big plant of the Monessen Foundry and Machine Co. is working double turn.

A BRILLIANT EVENT.

President Roosevelt Held the Customary New Year's Reception and Greeted 6,709 People.

Washington, Jan. 2.—President and Mrs. Roosevelt yesterday inaugurated the official social season with a brilliant reception at the White House. For more than a hundred years it has been the custom of presidents of the United States to receive on New Year's day all officials of the government located in Washington and such citizens as might care to pay their respects to the nation's chief magistrate. In addition to citizens of the United States, members of the diplomatic corps always embrace the opportunity personally to extend to the president their own good wishes and the greetings of their governments.

The reception of the president on New Year's day is thoroughly democratic. That of yesterday was notably so. No distinctions of rank or class were made, except such as were rendered necessary by a due respect for order. All persons—rich or poor, with or without rank—were given a gracious greeting by President and Mrs. Roosevelt.

At the conclusion of the reception the president expressed his gratification that it had passed off so delightfully. During the three hours and eleven minutes he received 6,711 people, only a few hundred less than were received a year ago.

A Democratic Love Feast.

Omaha, Jan. 2.—Nearly 500 democrats of Nebraska last night celebrated the anniversary of Andrew Jackson's victory over the British at New Orleans, and incidentally the thirteenth annual banquet of the Jacksonian club of Nebraska. The speakers included Senator Newlands, of Nevada; Congressman De Armond, of Missouri, and Congressman Hitchcock, of Nebraska. The occasion was of special significance to Nebraska democracy because of a reunion of the factions that have formerly been known as "gold" and "silver" democrats. The affair was in the nature of a love feast.

Another Invasion of Panama.

Colon, Jan. 1.—Information has reached Gov. Melendez from Cartia, a village in the Isle of Pines, Panama territory, that Colombian troops had landed there December 24 and conferred with the Indian chief Inanaquina, who afterwards was taken aboard a vessel and, it is thought, conveyed to Cartagena. Immediately it became known here that Colombians had landed within the borders of the republic of Panama the United States gunboat Castine steamed out towards Carti. She was followed shortly afterwards by the cruiser Olympia.

McAdoo's Manifesto.

New York, Jan. 2.—Police Commissioner McAdoo after taking office yesterday issued a statement in which he said he would do everything in his power to prevent blackmailing, extortion, "grafting," or bribe taking by the police, but it would be useless, he said, to expect a policeman to be honest if he has to pay for his appointment, promotion or assignment. Therefore, he declared, preferment would rest on merit only.

A Banker Suicides.

New York, Jan. 1.—Otto Ahlman, president of the Bank of Staten Island, Stapleton, S. I., committed suicide by shooting in a bathroom of the Hotel Albemarle, this city. His body was discovered yesterday with a revolver by its side. The bank has been closed by the state bank examiner pending an examination into its affairs.

His Fame Rests on a Hoax.

Upton, Mass., Jan. 2.—Daniel Edward Fiske, widely known as an author and newspaper writer, died Friday, aged 81 years. Mr. Fiske was best known as "Pratt Pond, Jr," and his most famous story was a gold hoax in Upton 60 years ago and caused the whole town to search for the metal, which never existed.

Hotel Fire Caused Panic.

Brainerd, Minn., Jan. 2.—Fire which broke out in the Arlington hotel Friday did about $50,000 damage to the building. There were about 30 guests in the hotel and great confusion prevailed and there was a mad rush for exits. Theodore Hollister, of Duluth, an attorney, lost a number of law books and valuable papers. He was forced to crawl down stairs on his hands and knees. A. E. Bass and wife, a deaf and dumb couple recently married, were asleep when the fire broke out and had to be carried from the burning building.

BUFFALO & SUSQUEHANNA R. R.

Time Table taking Effect June 23, 1902.

Buffalo and Susquehanna Railroad and Connections.

"The Grand Scenic Route."

READ DOWN.

	daily				
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	
Lv K'ting Smt...		12 40	7 30	9 10	.....
.....Austin.....	6 35	1 05	8 00	9 50	.....
.....Costello.....	6 44	1 14	.....		.....
....Wharton.....	6 56	1 26	.....	3 10	.....
Cross Fork Jct.	7 30	2 00	.....	4 23	.....
....Corbett.....	8 06	2 36	.....	5 15	.....
Germania, ...		2 47	.....	5 15	.....
Ar. Galeton,	.....	.....	.....	5 23	.....
Lv. Galeton,	8 23	2 53	.....	5 35	.....
.....Gaines Jct.	8 35	3 06	.....	.....	.....
...Westfield.....	9 13	3 43	.....	.....	.....
.. Knoxville....	9 26	3 56	.....	.....	.....
....Osceola.....	9 36	4 05	.....	.....	.....
....Elkland.....	9 41	4 11	.....	.....	.....
Ar..Addison.....	10 13	4 43	.....	.....	.....
	A. M.	P. M.	.....	.....	.....

READ UP.

	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	.....	P. M.
ar. K't'ng Smt...	8 45	7 10	.....	12 25	.....	.....
..... Austin,.....	8 00	6 43	.....	11 58	.....	8 45
.....Costello,.....	.....	6 54	.....	11 49	.....	8 36
...Wharton,.....	.....	6 24	.....	11 39	.....	8 21
Cross Fork J'ct,	.....	5 40	.....	10 58	.....	7 40
....Corbett, ...	.....	5 15	.....	10 34	.....	7 15
...Germania,....	.....	5 07	.....	10 26	.....	7 07
dp..Galeton.....	P. M.	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
ar, "	7 00	.....	1 00	10 20	.....	7 00
... Gaines, ...	6 47	.....	12 47	9 49	.....	6 47
...Westfield,...	6 11	.....	12 11	8 40	.....	6 11
.. Knoxville...	5 55	.....	11 55	8 22	.....	5 55
...Osceola,....	5 46	.....	11 46	8 05	.....	5 46
....Elkland,....	5 41	.....	11 41	8 01	.....	5 41
Lv Addison,....	5 10	.....	11 10	7 15	.....	5 10
	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.	.....	P. M.

Read down. Read up.

P. M.	A. M.	P. M.		A. M.	P. M.	.....
	9 21	7 00	lv..Ansonia..ar	9 40	7 00	.....
	9 11		.. Manhatten...	9 51	6 44	.....
	9 07		.South Gaines,.	9 57	6 40	.....
P. M.	8 59	6 37	..Gaines Junc..	9 59	6 38	.....
.....	8 45	6 25	ar Galeton lv		6 25	.....
	6 59	1 05	lv Galeton ar	10 10	4 55	.....
.....	6 47	1 24	...Walton.....	9 51	4 39	.....
.....	7 13	1 50	.Newfield Jct..	9 27	4 15	.....
.....	7 30	2 06	West Eingham,.	9 09	4 01	.....
.....	7 41	2 18	.... Genesee...	8 58	3 52	.....
.....	7 46	2 24	..... Shongo	8 53	3 47	.....
.....	8 06	2 46	ar Wellsville dp	8 30	3 30	.....

STATIONS.

P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	ar	dp	A. M.	P. M	P. M.
3 55	2 00	7 15	Cross F'k	Junc.	11 00	6 35	3 00
3 05	1 00	6 15	ar Cross Fork	dp	11 50	5 45	2 10

P. M.	P. M.			A. M.	A. M
8 58	1 00	Lv Sinnamahoning,	Ar	3 00	1 05
8 05	1 40	ar.....Wharton.....	lv	1 40	9 55

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At Addison with Erie R. R., for points east and west.

At Wellsville with Erie R. R. for points east and west.

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TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM EASTWARD

8 15 A. M.—Week days for Sunbury, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Hazleton, Pottsville, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6.23 P. M., New York 9.30 P. M., Baltimore 6 00 P. M., Washington 7.15 P. M. Pullman Parlor car from Williamsport to Philadelphia and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore and Washington.

12:25 P. M. (Emporium Junction) daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and principal intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia, 7:32 p. m.; New York, 10:23 p. m.; Baltimore, 7:30 p. m.; Washington, 8:35, p. m. Vestibuled Parlor cars and passenger coaches, Buffalo to Philadelphia and Washington.

3 20 P. M.—daily for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia, 4.23 A. M., New York 7.23 A. M. Baltimore, 2:20 A. M. Washington, 3:30 A. M. Pullman sleeping cars from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and New York. Philadelphia passengers can remain in sleeper undisturbed until 7:30 A. M.

10 25 P. M.—Daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations arriving at Philadelphia 7.17 A. M., New York 9.33 A. M., weekdays, (10.38 A. M. Sunday;) Baltimore 7.15 A. M., Washington 8.30 A. M. Pullman sleeping cars from Erie, Buffalo and Williamsport to Philadelphia and Buffalo, Williamsport to Washington. Passenger cars from Erie to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore.

12:15 A. M. (Emporium Junction), daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and principal intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia, 7:32 a. m.; New York, 9:34 a. m., week days; (10:38 Sundays); Baltimore, 7:25 a. m.; Washington, 8:15 a. m. Vestibuled Buffet Sleeping Cars and Passenger coaches, Buffalo to Philadelphia and Washington.

WESTWARD.

5:10 A. M.—Emporium Junction—daily for Erie, Ridgway, and week days for DuBois, Clermont and intermediate stations.

10 30 A. M.—Daily for Erie and week days for DuBois and intermediate stations.

6 23 P. M.—Week days for Kane and intermediate stations.

RIDGWAY AND CLEARFIELD R. R. CONNECTIONS.
(Week days.)

SOUTHWARD.			Stations.	NORTHWARD		
P. M	A. M.	A. M.		P. M.	P. M.	P. M.
.....	9 00	4 02	....Renovo.....	.....	5 00	11 45
.....	9 50	4 41	...Driftwood....	.....	4 00	11 05
.....	10 25	5 10	Emporium Junc	.....	3 23	10 35
.....	11 13	5 53	....St. Marys....	.....	2 41	9 50
3 25	11 05	6 00	.....Kane.....	12 25	3 05	8 25
3 43	11 23	6 22	....Wilcox.....	12 05	2 45	8 04
3 55	11 38	6 36	..Johnsonburg..	9 50	2 33	7 49
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4 10	12 10	7 00	....Ridgway,....	9 30	2 15	7 30
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4 20	12 20	7 19	..Mill Haven....	9 20	2 04	7 20
4 30	12 30	7 21	..Croyland.....	9 10	1 54	7 09
———	12 33	7 25	..Shorts Mills..	9 06	———	7 05
4 37	12 36	7 23	...Blue Rock....	9 02	1 47	7 01
4 41	12 40	7 38	.....Carrier.....	8 57	1 43	6 57
4 51	12 50	7 43	.Brockwayville..	8 49	1 33	6 47
4 54	12 54	7 47	...Lanes Mills...	8 44	1 28	6 43
		7 51	.McMinns Sm't.	8 40		6 38
5 02	1 03	7 54	.Harveys Run...	8 35	1 19	6 35
5 10	1 10	8 00	..Falls Creek...	8 30	1 15	6 30
5 25	1 25	8 10	....DuBois.....	8 20	12 55	6 10
5 12	1 15	8 05	..Falls Creek...	6 53	1 15	6 30
5 27	1 29	8 18	.Reynoldsville..	6 39	12 52	6 15
6 00	1 59	8 45	...Brookville...	6 05	12 24	5 39
6 45	2 38	9 30	New Bethlehem		11 47	4 50
7 25	3 20	10 10	...Red Bank....	.....	11 10	4 05
9 30	5 30	12 35	....Pittsburg....	.....	9 00	1 30
P. M.	P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.	P. M.

BUFFALO & ALLEGHENY VALLEY DIVISION.

Leave Emporium Junction for Port Allegany, Olean, Arcade, East Aurora and Buffalo.

Train No. 107, daily.....4:05 A. M.
Train No. 115, daily.....4:15 P. M.

Trains leave Emporium for Keating, Port Allegany, Coudersport, Smethport, Eldred, Bradford, Olean and Buffalo, connecting at Buffalo for points East and West.

Train No. 101, week days.....8:30 A. M.
Train No. 103, week days.....1:40 P. M.

Train No. 103 will connect at Olean with Chautauqua Division for Allegany, Bradford, Salamanca Warren, Oil City and Pittsburg.

LOW GRADE DIVISION.

EASTBOUND.

STATIONS.	109	113	101	105	107	951
	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M	P. M	A. M.
Pittsburg,..Lv.	.....	†6 15	†9 00	©130	*505	‡ 9 00
Red Bank,.....	.....	9 25	11 10	4 05	7 55	11 10
Lawsonham,....	.....	9 40	‡1122	4 18	8 07	11 22
New Bethle'm.	.....	10 13	11 47	4 50	8 37	11 55
Brookville,....	†8 05	11 00	12 24	5 39	9 22	12 41
Reynoldsville,	6 39	11 32	12 52	6 15	9 50	1 14
Falls Creek....	6 53	11 48	1 15	6 30	1005	1 29
DuBois,.....	7 00	†11 55	1 25	6 40	1010	‡ 1 35
Sabula,.....	7 12	.....	1 37		1027	
Pennfield,.....	7 30	.....	1 55		1045	
Bennezette,....	8 04	.....	2 29		1119	
Driftwood,.....	†8 40	.....	†3 05		1155	
via P. & E. Div						
Driftwood,.. Lv.	*9 50	.....	†3 45			
Emporium, Ar.	†10 30	.....	†4 10			
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M	P. M	P. M.

WESTBOUND.

STATIONS.	108	106	102	114	110	952
Via P. & E. Div	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Emporium, Lv.	.....	.....	†8 15	.....	†3 20	.....
Driftwood, Ar.	.....	.....	†9 00	.....	†4 00	.....
Via L. G. Div						
Driftwood, Lv.	.....	†6 10	‡1110	.....	†5 50	.....
Bennezette,....	.....	6 45	11 45	.....	6 25	.....
Pennfield,.....	.....	7 20	12 20	.....	7 00	.....
Sabula,.....	.....	7 25	12 39	.....	7 18	.....
DuBois.....	*6 10	7 52	12 55	†5 05	7 35	‡4 10
Falls Creek,...	6 17	8 05	1 15	5 12	7 42	4 17
Reynoldsville,..	6 31	8 18	1 29	5 27	7 58	4 30
Brookville,....	7 05	8 45	1 59	6 00	†8 30	5 00
New Bethle'm.	7 51	9 30	2 38	6 45	.....	5 45
Lawsonham,..	8 21	9 57	†3 06	7 14	....	6 18
Red Bank,Ar..	8 35	10 10	3 20	7 25	.....	6 30
Pittsburg, Ar...	*11 15	†1235	†5 30	†9 45	.....	†9 25
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.

*Daily. †Daily except Sunday. ‡Sunday only. ©Flag Stop. ©Daily between Pittsburg and DuBois.

On Sunday only train leaves Driftwood 8:20 a. m., arrives at DuBois, 10:00 a. m. Returning leaves DuBois, 2:00 p. m.; arrives at Driftwood, 3:40 p. m., stopping at intermediate stations.

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EDITORIAL MENTION.

Tom Johnson,—where, O where is he? Ask of the election hurricane.

Mr. Bryan seems to have success in Europe, interviewing kings and things.

"The Lord has delivered him into our hands!" Exclaim the opponets of Geeneral Wood's promotion; "he has begun to write letters."

Democratic House Leader, John Sharp Williams, speaks of the "hasty partutition" of the Panama Republic. And he talks as if he thought Uncle Sam was its mother!

It is supposed that Senator Hoar's resolution asking for full information will be passed when a conservative committee has shorn them of some of that eccentric gentlemen's peculiarities.

The entire property of a trust capitalized at $100,000,000 was sold at auction last week for $4,500,000—less than a twentieth of its alleged value. This looks as if President Roosevelt's "publicity" panacea was working to some extent, doesn't it?

William Jennings Bryan has bought his father's old homestead at Salem, Ill. He will perhaps bequeth it to the State to exhibit as the place where a candidate for the presidency was born.

It is reported that the Moros have abolished Slavery in the Sulu islands by a vote of their legislature, whatever it is callled—more or less voluntarily. This is Col. Bates justified and Uncle Sam glorified.

Dr. Parkhurst predicted that the lid of Hades would be blown off in New York this week. It was probably a figure of speech to indicate the disgruntlement of those Tammany politicians who have not been slated for appointment to office under McClellan.

General Johu C. Black, just appointed to the head of the Civil Service Commission by the President, was so badly wounded during the Civil war that he has since been unable to dress himself. He is a man of attractive appearance and one of the most effective "spell-binders" of the Democratic party.

Senator Hoar makes a good many inquiries, but he means well. He merely wants, to know, Yankee fashion. His principal classic favorite is Secrates, who sauntered around from door to door bothering his Athenian neighbors with conundrums and interfering with their work.

General Reyes, the Columbian minister, is naturally impatient and anxious for an early reply to his note to the State Department asking what our intentions are. And the Secretary of State is quite as anxious that the matter shall be disposed of as quickly as is consistent with dignity and caution. The Colombian note contains a list of grievances which that nation claims to have suffered from the action of the United States.

Pome men seem to have the horseless brand of horse sense.

Sterling Run Items.

The survey of the Shippen Coal Company's lands in Shippen Township, Cameron County, made by John M. Miller Surveyor of Landisville, Lancaster County, Pa., is conceded to be the most accurate piece of work of that kind done in this section for a number of years. Trees that were established as corner monuments and line markers in 1794 and 1808 having been located with precision. XX

Resolutions of Condolence.

At a regular review of Gladioli Hive, 32, L O. T. M., held Dec. 22d, the following resolutions were adopted.

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Supreme Ruler to remove from our membership, Lady PHEABE SCHOUTIN.

WHEREAS, Our Sister has filled with credit the various offices she has held since our organization; therefore be it

Resolved, That we sympathize with the family of our departed sister. And recommend them to Him who doth all things well. And who alone can comfort the afflicted.

Resolved, That our Charter be draped for nine. ty days, these reso utions spread upon our minutes, in our local papers, and a copy sent the family.

HELENA M. BUTLER
MARY CUMMINGS,
HATTIE SWARTZ,
Committee

Council Proceedings.

Regular meeting, Borough Council, Emporium, Jan. 4th, 1904.

Present: Messrs. Shaffer, Friendle, Balcom, Green, Marshall, Nelson and Cummings, Catlin. Absent: Mr. Housler.

On motion by Mr. Marshal, seconded by Mr. Nelson, the following bills were ordered paid:

St. Marys Gas Co., gas for Dec. 1903,	$33 15
F. D. Logan, hauling hose carts, etc.,	12 00
D. C. Hayes, draying,	2 25
Murry & Coppersmith Co., invoice,	2 92
J. C. Sterns & Co., invoice	10 40
The Best Street Light Co., invoice,	4 25
Struthers, Wells & Co., invoice,	10 26
G. S. Allen, insurance,	21 00
The Crandall Packing Co., invoice	3 61
W. F. Lloyd, freight and express,	2 41
Thos. Cavanaugh, work on streets,	5 25
John Welsh, work on streets,	10 50
Jas. Bailey, work on streets,	1 75
Clarence Ritchie, work on streets,	3 50
Henry Robinson, work on streets,	1 75
Robert Robinson, work on streets,	3 50
George Welsh, work on streets,	3 50
Ben Liston, work on streets,	3 50
Joe Halderman, work on streets,	2 66
George Dorsey, work on strcets,	87
Michael Mulcahey, work on streets,	87

Moved by Mr. Cummings, seconded by Mr. Marshall, that Mr. C. W. Shaffer be allowed the following exonerations for 1903 taxes: Dog tax, $6 00; Borough tax, $33.15; Borough Bond, $23.53; Borough Water, $17.10. Carried.

On motion the Council then adjourned.

C. JAY GOODNOUGH, Secretary.

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Some self-made people seem to have got the matertal at a bargain counter.

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North Creek Items.

Plenty of snow.

Agnes Taylor is on the sick list.

Who knows when the next sleighing party is to be?

Thomas Britton is moving his family into Ed. Kelly's house this week.

A horse belonging to Ernest Housler is in a very bad condition, slipping on the ice.

Prof. W. S. Leavitt and family, of Sterling Run, were to see Mrs. Leavitt's sister, Mrs. Chandler.

We wonder what that young lad was doing on his way from Port Alleghany, that he froze his ears.

We hope every one had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Happy ffrst day and be happy on all the days in the year.

Such weather as we have had is quite hard on our Mail Carriers. "Bites their nose and stings their toes."

Mrs. Ernest Housler, and son Merlin, with her sister, Lilah Berry, were visiting their parents and friends in Sterling Run, during the Holidays.

The Christmas entertainment given in the Three Mile School house was well attended and the tree was laden with presents. TWO SNOWFLAKES.

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The family of Mrs. M. L. Bobbitt, of Bargerton, Tenn., saw her dying and were powerless to save her. The most skillful physicians and every remedy used, failed, while consumption was slowly but surely taking her life. In this terrible hour Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption turned despair into joy. The first bottle brought immediate relief and its continued use completely cured her. It's the most certain cure in the world for all throat and lung troubles. Guarantee Bottles 50c and $1.00. Trial Bottles Free at L. Taggart's Drug Store.

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PERSONAL GOSSIP.

Contributions invited. That which you would like to see in this department, let us know by postal card or letter, personally.

Miss Jettie Wiley passed a few days in Buffalo, last week.

Mr. Fred Julian is paying a business visit to Philadelphia, Washington and New York city.

G. A. Mahr, of Renovo News, assisted the Catholic Church choir of this place, Christmas morning.

Edgar Good accompanied his friend Mr. Souder, to Philadelphia on Monday, to visit for a week or two.

Frank McCabe came over from Austin last week and spent several days with his mother and sister.

Miss Anna Bryson, clerk in Climax Powder Co., office, has returned from visiting her parents at Grove City.

Mr. Geo. Bloom, who formerly resided here, but now lives at Williamsport, was shaking hands with old acquaintances in town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Martin, of Williamsport, spent the holidays with Mrs. Martin's mother, Mrs. Thos. McGrain.

Miss Grace Leighton, of Emporium is passing a few days with her sister, Mrs. Adolph Tumser.—Port Allegany Reporter.

Miss Margaret Lynch, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. O. Proudfoot, for some time, returned to her home in Olean on Sunday.

Sam'l E. Cameron, formerly of this place but now of Towanda, Pa., visited in town during the holidays, guest of J. W. Clarke and family.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Barnes, are delighted over the advent of their first son, who arrived last week in time to assist in celebratiag the holidays.

Miss Wolverton, of Owego, N. Y., who came here to attend the funeral of her sister, Mrs. Philip Wolverton, returned to her home on Monday.

Michael Baker and wife of Bristol, W. Va., and Miss Welsh, of Wellsville, N. Y., are guests of M.C. Tulis and family. Mr. Baker fills an important position with the Standard Oil Company.

Ross W. Barrows, of Lock Haven, transacted business in town last Thursday and did not forget to call on the PRESS editor. His Cameron county friends were pleased to meet him again.

Wm. Wylie drove up from Sterling Run, Dec. 31st, to transact business, and like all good responsible business men, believes in commencing the new year with a clean balance sheet. After a pleasant chat with ye editor, his visits are always pleasant, he went away making the printer happy. Would there were more like William Wylie in Cameron county.

Mr. A. J. Turley, one of our energetic lumber jobbers was a caller at the PRESS sanctum on Monday and pushed the date of his paper ahead another year. Mr. Turley and family have returned to their residence on West Sixth street where they will enjoy a season of rest. Mr. Turley was accompanied by his brother-in-law, Mr. G. H. Vinson, of Weedville, Pa., who is spending some time in this county.

Chas. Hockley came up from Middletown to visit his parents over Christmas.

Bert Hillyard has been confined to his home but is now able to be out again.

Miss Elizabeth Ludlam visited at Olean last week, guest of Mrs. Havens and family.

Mr. Chester Rothermel, of McEwensville, spent last week in town, guest of Russell McQuay.

J. A. Anderson, of Miles City, Montana, is visiting friends in Emporium, guest of Chas. M. Thomas and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Martin, and daughter, of Conrad, Pa., visited friends and relatives in town, the past week.

Mr. J. H. Meyers, of Williamsport, visited in Emporium, over Christmas, guest of Hon. I. K. Hockley and family.

Miss Mary Davison, of Johnsonburg, was calling on friends in town yesterday, while enroute for school at Chambersburg.

Mrs. Laura Bryan and daughter, Miss Nina, visited with relatives at Erie during the Holidays, returning home on Tuesday.

Miss Sadie Hemphill, of Philadelphia, accompanied Mrs. Harry Hemphill, frum Medi-Chio. Hospital and spent Christmas here.

Mrs. A. H. Barr, of Husted Hill, was a very welcome PRESS visitor last Saturday, carrying away a PRESS receipt for one year in advance.

Constable Muttersbough, of Driftwood, brought one McQuay to Fort Hemphill yesterday. The prisoner was committed for assult.

Miss Lillian Neilson, who is teaching in Cameron county, spent Xmas with her mother and other relatives in this place.—Johnsonburg Press.

U. A. Palmer who recently took control of the coal yard at this place, is kept busy now-a-days and hopes to have a fresh supply of coal very soon.

Miss Maud Wykoff, teacher of the First Fork school, spent part of her holiday vacation with her sister Mrs. Art Nelson at East Coudersport.—Journal.

W. M. Lawler, of Lewistown, Pa., while transacting business in town Tuesday and Wednesday, called to see the PRESS. He was en route for Petoskey, Mich.

John Auchu, of Canada has been guest of his brother, Henry Auchu and family, during the past week. Henry took pride in showing him the points of interest.

Mr. J. N. P. Souden, of Philadelphia, passed the Holidays with his friend Edgar Good and enjoyed our excellent sleighing, including and occasional dump in a snow bank.

Harry Regelmann, wife and son, of Williamsport who have been visiting their parents, Henry Auchu and family, at this place returned home Sunday noon.

Reuben Fountain returned last Sunday from visiting his relatives in Virginia. Mr. Fountain, who is a hard working man and a good citizen, deserved the vacation.

Rev. O. S. Metzler enjoyed, hugely, his sleigh ride from Whittemore Hill last week one day. As a horseman he is a howling success and delights in quoting "Beautiful Snow."

Ye editor and family are indebted to Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Green for a basket of delicious Florida oranges, grown upon their Emporia, Florida, grove. They are certainly fine eating.

Miss Ada Hockley, who makes her home at Williamsport, with Mrs. William Howard, has been visiting her parents in town since Christmas and evidently enjoyed it here as long as ——, but she goes to Williamsport to-morrow.

W. G. Bair has not been doing a thing but throwing around the cigars the past few days, all on account of that beautiful girl that rules the roost in his home, being the only cub thus far. Grand-pa and grand-ma Auchu and Bair are dividing their time looking to the comfort of the little Miss.

The PRESS enjoyed a visit from Mr. J. B. Schriever, of Scranton, Pa., while visiting in town during the holidays. We are pleased to note that our young and energetic artist is meeting with marked success and continues to branch out on a large scale, being connected with a large correspondence school.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Coppersmith and family and Mrs. S. L. Stoddard entertained Mr. and Mrs, J S Douglas and daughter, Christmas week. There was one meal, especially, that was fine and ye editor and wife were fortunate to partake of the festive occasion. Mr. and Mrs. Douglas met many friends while here, who were glad to meet them.

Fred Seger, "our Fritz," of the firm of R. Seger & Son, is enjoying a visit to New York and Philadelphia, when he will look out for all the latest attractions for his customers. "Fritz" now has one of the handsomest stores to found in any country town and takes pride in giving their customers the best of everything. LATER—"Fritz" is back on time for once. He enjoyed his visit.

The Misses Huntley, of Driftwood, the popular musicians, are visiting in town to-day. The many admirers of these talented young ladies would be greatly pleased to hear them again.

The Misses Poole and Miss Mary G. Burd, of Summerville, N. J., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Van Gelder, at their new residence on Sixth street. The ladies are delighted with our mountain scenery.

Miss Ling, of Buffalo Mills, Pa., is guests of Prof. Ling and family.

A Good Record For Zero Weather.

The attendance at Methodist Episcopal Sunday School last Sunday was 238, with three new scholars and a monthly missionary Collectian of $14.89.

Murry & Coppersmith are not doing a thing but hustling in the heating stoves. The "Peninsular," the popular stove of the day is a dandy. See their "ad" in this issue. No time for a big adv. See ?

TRIP TO CALIFORNIA.

POINTS OF INTEREST NOTED.

EDITOR PRESS:—

I send you another brief description of our trip, commencing where I left off in my last account:

Sacrimento is a very nice town, the streets are nice and clean with many ornamental trees and flowers. The buildings are neat but not as high as in our eastern cities. We stayed one night only and on Monday left for San Francisco. On the way up here everything looked fine, having had plenty of rain, some places the fences being under water. Much of the land here is swampy. We get to the large ferry boat which crosses a neck of the bay, which will carry forty coaches and four engines. It is one mile across, and then we get into nice country again where they are plowing and sowing wheat and barley and we also see large herds of cattle and sheep. We get to Oakland City, which is to San Francisco as Brooklyn is to New York.

Oakland is a very nice city and compares nicely with Sacrimento. It has fine streets nice residences, many of the business men of, San Francisco live here. It has a fine electric street car system and railroad cars run every thirty minutes to and from ferry. Ten cents takes you from city to city, which is five miles across the bay. We stopped at Oakland part of two days and took in many points of interest. Here we saw the navy yard where the battle ship Oregon was built and the great swinging bridge across the neck of the bay. There are two bridges, one railroad and one for street cars. These bridges are no less than 350 feet long and swing on a pier in the centre to let steam boats through. We spent a very busy day at San Francisco. This is a city like New York or Chicago, everybody seems to be in a rush. The place is very hilly and on this account the street cars are mostly cable cars. We went through Chinatown first, which was very interesting, but did not spend much time here. Next we went to Presido to the soldiers barracks and gave Wesley Hughes a warm reception. We surprised him very much. We took him along out to the Golden Gate Park and to the Cliff House on the coast. From this point we could look out on some huge rocks and see the sea lions bathing in the sun. There is also a nice park here connected with the Cliff House. We then spent the remainder of the day at the Golden Gate Park, which I suppose, is the finest park in the United States. It contains about 1,200 acres and is laid out in drive ways, bicycle tracks and walks, also artificial and natural lakes. There are many animals such as buffalo, elk, deer, bear and others too numerous to mention in the park, and many birds and flowers. Our time was too short to see all. The next day we started for Los Angelas and went down the valley, which is wonderfully nice, most of the way level and nearly as far as you could see to the foot hills. This is mostly a grain country and the farmers were busy plowing and sowing their grain. In some fields we saw as high a five sets of plows—they have gang plows with three or four plows and from four to six spans of horses or mules hitched to a plow. The towns are mostly small through this valley. Night came on and in the morning we found ourselves going down a narrow canyon, but after a while the valley widened and got into fields of melons and pumpkins. Our next interesting scene was a pagen farm or city. There were many thousands of them. We arrived at Los Angelas and passed the day, as we could not get a train to Azura until evening, where my brother, R. M. Sipple lives, and so we started out to see the city.

Los Angelas is a very progressive city. It is said to have doubled its population in the last ten years. Buildings are going up in every direction and it is not much to be wondered at for in one day, it was estimated that 2,400 people arrived in Los Angeles from the east and people come most every day. The city has several parks and we visited East Lake Park, which is a fine place, the flowers are most beautiful. We then took a street car to Pasadeno Wine Milis, which is the garden spot of the world. On our way back we passed the Ostrich farm and then we took our train and arrived at Azura just as it was getting dark. We are now in the land of sunshine and oranges and in my next letter will tell about the country and the different trees that grow here. Also how oranges and lemons are used for fuel.

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School Report.

Report of the Sizerville School for the month ending Dec. 30.

Enrollment 28; Pupils present every day during the month 6; Pupils sick dering the month 7; Number visits to school during month 7.

HONOR ROLL.

Clara Edwards, Flora Edwards. Leatha Victory, Mary Market, Dora Evans, Harry Victory.

GERTRUDE GERMOND, Teacher.

Bowling Match.

The following is the result of the bowling match which took place Tuesday evening between Mr. A. Brady's and Mr. J. W. Clarke's teams:

BRADY'S TEAM.				Total	Av
Brady,	145	209	165	519	173
Moore,	123	202	111	446	149
Cummings,	126	140	146	412	137
Farrell,	154	139	155	488	163
Fobert,	143	175	154	472	147
Siahly,	142	191	153	486	162
	833	1096	894	2823	

CLARK'S TEAM.					
Clarke,	169	166	189	524	175
Narby,	140	114	137	400	133
Cavanaugh,	151	155	146	462	154
Caffo,	168	152	128	448	149
Robinson,	187	125	142	445	152
Knickerbocker	150	134	127	410	137
	974	856	870	2699	

State Must Limit Good Roads Work.

HARRISBURG, Dec. 30.—Township electors cannot arbitrarily fix the amount to be expended on good roads with the expectancy that the county and State must pay their proportionate share of the cost. This has been decided by Deputy Attorney General Fleitz, in an opinion given to State Highway Commissioner Hunter.

The electors of Mideletown Township Bucks County, voted to issue $50,000 in bonds to improve township roads law of 1903. Deputy Attorney General Fleitz in his opinion says:—

"It appears that the citizens of Middleton Township are under the impression that, because they have thus provided $50,000 to be used for the construction of new roads witbin the limits of the said township, the county of Bucks can be required to raise its proportionate share of $50,000 more, and that the State is required to furnish the balance, or two thirds of the cost, to wit: $200,000 for the improvement of said roads, and you ask to be advised on this point.

CAN'T EXCEED PRO RATA SHARE.

"I fine nothing in the act of 1903 which warrants this conclusion. A certain specific sum, which the State may use to pay its proportionate share of the cost of constructing roads is appropriated by the act and this must be apportioned among the various counties of the Commonwealth on a basis of the number of miles of road in each county. There is absolutely no authority for you or any other State official to increase the amount thus apportioned any county or to make the State liable for a sum greater than that set forth in the act itself. Neither am I able to find any law which makes it obligatory upon the county to do more than furnish its proportionate share based on the State appropriation.

"The last provison of section 3 is to the effect that the township and county by agreement, may vary the proportion which each must pay to suit themselves but in no case shall either township or county pay less than 5 per centum of the entire cost of such improvement. That is a matter which the local authorities may adjust themselves, subject to the restriction above noted, but the State cannot be required to pay to any county more than the amount thus specifically appropriated and proportionately determined."

STATE SUPERVISION.

Mr. Fleitz also says that if the work is being done according to the specifications of the Highway Department, even though the State is not contributing to the cost, it is clear that the State Highway Commissioner should supervise the construction.

The Deputy Attorney General also decided that the request of the commissioners of Northampton County for State aid in rebuilding a mile of road in South Rethel Township destroyed by storm, should be complied with.

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Choice of Western Routes, via the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway.

In planning your western trip why not take advantage of the offer of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway to allow you a choice of routes? The Southwest Limited, Chicago to Kansas City; The Overland Limited, Chicago to Omaha and San Francisco, and The Pioneer Limited, Chicago to St. Paul and Minneapolis, offer a variety of routes and excellence in service and equipment not obtainable elsewhere. Complete information regarding these three main traveled roads free on request.

John R. Pott, D. P. A., Rooom "D" Park Bldg., Pittsburg, Pa, 44-2t.

Real Estate for Sale.

The Board of Trustees of the Presbyterian Church will sell the old church site and parsonage property at a bargain. Apply to I. K. HOCKLEY, Chairman of the Board or J. H. DAY, Secretary. 37tf

New Year Announcement
DAY'S
THE SATISFACTORY STORE.

Extends New Year Greetlng to patrons and friends for their very liberal treatment during the past year just closed. We thank you for it and sincerely hope that the new year will bring prosperity and happiness to all.

To those who have not been the recipients of the advantages which this store gives, we would say: Give us an opportunity and see how well we can serve you.

Pure food is little if any more expensive than the risky kind. It depends on the store. Choose the best.

Do you take advantage of the special items offered by this store from week to week? Watch this space and you will always find something of interest. If you are not a subscriber it will pay you to be one for this alone. There's always a saving and its up to you to take advantage.

Here's the list this week.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

12c canned Tomatoes, 10c. $1.10 a dozen.

12½c Package of Raisins, 11c. Seeded.

7Lbs. Pearl Tapioca, 25c. 4c a pound.

1 Lb. package pure Soda, 6c.

4 Lbs Carolina Rice, 25c. Broken kernel. Good cooker.

25 Lb. Bag Sugar Best Granulated. $1.40

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It is a dangerous thing to neglect. Cure it with
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The cure that is guaranteed by your druggist.
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Blankets

OUR ANNUAL BLANKET SALE is one of the great bargain events of the year and will continue throughout the month of January.

Fleeced cotton blankets 45c, 50c, 65c, 75c, $1.00 and $1.25.

Grey wool blankets for single and double beds $2.50, $3.50, $4.00 and $5.00.

Scarlet wool blankets at $4.50, $5.00 and $7.50 pair.

White wool cotton blankets, cotton warp, at $2.50, $3.50 $4.50, $5.00 and $6.50 pair.

White wool blankets, absolutely all wool, at $4.00, $4.50 and $5.00 pair.

Extra fine white wool blankets, California wool, $7.50 to $12.50 pair.

Cotton filled comforters; silkoline covers, $1.00, $1.25, $1.50 up to $3.00 each.

Holiday Goods

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ASLEEP.

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On your daddy's knee;
Time you had your nightie on;
Time you came to me.
Time to hear the stories, dear;
Time to softly creep
In my arms and near my heart;
Time to go to sleep.

All the birds are still, dear;
All the west is red.
Time that you should sleep, dear;
Sleep, my tousle-head,
For the sandman's after you,
Come to close your eyes.
Time to snuggle down to dad;
Time for lullabyes.

What? You want some stories?
Dear, what shall I tell?
Tell the Mother Hubbard tale?
Tell of what befell
Two wee babies in a wood?
How they fell asleep?
How the birdies covered them
In a rustling heap?

Shall I tell of Riding Hood
And the fierce wolf gray?
How he slyly followed her
Through the woods that day?
What's that? "Tell of piggies?"
Well, then, dear, here goes—
Let me see, where have they gone;
Dear, where are your toes?

This wee pig to market went—
Dear, these pigs are pink!
Now the sandman's got you, dear;
Eyes are all a-blink;
Snuggle down and shut your eyes;
You're a glorious heap!
You're your daddy's onlyest!
Dear—why, you're asleep!

—J. M. Lewis, in Houston Post.

Scoundrels & Co.

By COULSON KERNAHAN

Author of "Captain Shannon," "A Book of Strange Sins," "A Dead Man's Diary," Etc.

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CHAPTER VI.—CONTINUED.

The incident was not, however, without a sequel, for one of the party (I discovered afterwards that he was Number Two), whose "jump" had been accompanied by a word unaccustomed to ears polite, but whose sins were not all uncovered by that cloak to the wearer of which much may be forgiven, that cloak which can transform the raggedest of rascals into a presentable personage and an agreeable companion—need I say I mean a sense of humor?—took advantage of the diversion to make a sensible suggestion. He remarked that he had always been taught and was quite prepared to admit the truth of the Scriptural precept that "the way of transgressors is hard," but as for himself he did not see why the transgressors—as he presumed the occupants of that wagon were—should be poisoned in this world as well as roasted in the next, and he begged leave to move that either the door or the window be opened.

It was not a brilliant observation, but it brought about two good results—the letting in of some fresh air and the letting out of the awkward constraint which had bound us. Laughter is the greatest of levellers. To ask a man to drink with you—which, according to our English social code, is the very running up of the flag of fellowship—is not half so effective in setting you and him upon good terms with each other, as is a hearty laugh in common. From laughing at this allusion to the way of transgressors we went on to discussing the situation as it then presented itself, and as there was still no sign of the advent of Number One, we decided that something had happened to detain him, and that, as we could do nothing without him, we had best postpone the discussion of business till the next day, when he would, no doubt, make an opportunity to join us. In the meantime we must pass the night where we were, so each of us proceeded to make himself as comfortable—or, rather, as little uncomfortable—as he could in our very luxurious lodgings. For myself, what with the unusual circumstances, the tragic struggle in the train, the impatient tossings, turnings, twistings and sighings of my companions, vainly straining after ease on their most uneasy couches, I slept never a wink all night, and was glad indeed when morning was far enough advanced for one of us to venture abroad in search of breakfast for his colleagues. It was not long before he hurried back empty-handed, bringing us, in place of breakfast, news which was no news to me.

"Fellow councillors," he said, with evident agitation, "I have terrible tidings for you. Our chief, Number One, was killed on the railway last night. He must have been walking along the line on his way to join us, when he was knocked down between Benfleet and Leigh by a passing train. They were bringing his body in when I got into the village, and, though he was wearing no beard, I recognized him at once."

For half a minute no one spoke, and then one of the councillors said curiously—

"How did you recognize him if he wasn't disguised?"

"By his clothes, in the first place," was the answer. "He had the blue serge suit, turn-down collar and spotted tie which we all wear. But I should have recognized him quite apart from that, for I was to some extent in his confidence, and, in fact, met him by appointment only two days ago."

"Who are you, then?" said the man who had constituted himself spokesman.

"I am Councillor Number Two—the oldest member of the society, next to our late chief. I was the first man to whom he unfolded his schemes and I was the first whom he invited to become a councillor."

"Can you prove this?" asked the other. "I don't mean that I doubt your word, but, as none of us knows each other's name, there is nothing to prevent any of us from claiming that he is the senior member of the council. And if Number One is really dead, it will be necessary to elect his successor without delay, if the work of this society is to be carried on."

"Quite so," said Number Two. "Who is to be that successor will be for the council to decide, and need not yet be discussed, but as you challenge my statement and call upon me to prove that I really was in our dead chief's confidence let me ask if you or any other councillor can tell us what business was to be discussed at the meeting last night?"

"No, I can't," said the spokesman. "Is there any other councillor present who can?"

He looked around inquiringly, but no one spoke, and with something of a triumphant air, Number Two went on.

"The business which was to come before the meeting was two-fold. First the newly-appointed Councillor Number Seven was to make his report in regard to the removal of the traitor, Councillor Number Seven that was."

"Go on," said the other, nodding. "We might have guessed that far, even without being in the confidence of the chief."

"The second business," said Councillor Number Two, without noticing the interruption, "was to arrange a matter of importance. A week or so ago the police raided a house, No. 89 Fassett Square, Dalston, in which a considerable quantity of dynamite was stored. That dynamite had been brought there from the continent by a man in the pay of our chief, acting on behalf of the council. Can any one present tell us the sequel of the raid?"

He paused and looked around inquiringly, but received no answer.

"I thought not," said Number Two, with evident satisfaction. "I can, as it was told me by our chief himself. Listen! The police made what they thought a big haul of dynamite, but they have left behind them more than they took away, and last night the facts were to have been placed before the council, that the dynamite might be secured and used for the carrying out of an enterprise which Number One has long been contemplating. Can any one tell me where the explosive which the police failed to find was concealed?"

Again there was a sullen silence. Then Number Two went on speaking with the air of a man who feels that he has the game in his own hands. "In the cellar of the house I am speaking of there were a few dozen bottles of wine, half a dozen bottles of spirit and a small cask of beer. The wine and spirit the police took with them and the beer they drank, leaving what they supposed was the empty barrel behind them. Their way of looking at things evidently was that, as barrels were made to contain beer, and as this particular barrel did contain beer—and good beer—and beer was made to be drunk, all they had to do was to drink the beer and there was an end of the matter. If they had taken the trouble to ascertain whether the barrel contained anything else but beer they would have left the house with full hands as well as with full bellies, for the barrel was divided into two compartments, the lower containing that concoction of the devil, as our teetotal friends would call it—Double X, and the upper that pretty little plaything, which it has been left to man and not to the devil, to devise—dynamite.

"Well, gentlemen," he went on, in a brisker and more business-like tone, "you all know the story of the quarrel between Lord Cranthorpe and his work people—that he has reduced the wages of more than 1,000 men and women who work in his mill, taking 20 per cent. off the men's payment and 25 off the women's, and has refused to listen to anything which is to be said on behalf of the people or to receive a deputation on the subject. He has taken advantage of the fact that he is rolling in money and that they are entirely dependent upon their earnings to act toward his fellow-countrymen as the rich acts towards the poor in Russia. At this moment hundreds of families are starving through his greed. He is the best-hated man in England to-day, and nothing we can do would make the societies which we direct more popular among the people who support us than a blow aimed at him. This dynamite of which I have spoken was brought to England by the instruction of our late chief, who had intended at the next meeting of the council to propose the blowing up of Lord Cranthorpe's house in Plantagenet Square. If this could be accomplished by us successfully it would give a wonderful stimulus to our work all over the world, and would cause subscriptions to pour in, which, as the first handling of whatever money is subscribed is one of the privileges (shall I say perquisites?) of being on the council, is a very desirable state of affairs. Gentlemen, there is not a moment to lose. I know the house where the dynamite is concealed. If you will appoint another member to act with me, I will endeavor to obtain possession of the explosive that is concealed at Fassett Square, and to meet you here at midnight this day week, that we may make the necessary arrangements for using the dynamite in the manner in which our late chief intended—I mean in blowing up Lord Cranthorpe's house in Plantagenet Square."

He paused and looked around him in a somewhat dramatic, not to say melodramatic, manner. But he had spoken so confidently and with such evident conviction that it was very plain he carried his hearers with him. Just as we see a thread of ringed fire shine out upon the charred edges of a sheet of paper, when a live coal has dropped from the grate, so, as the last words fell from his lips, there ran around the circle of listening councillors a thin murmur of unmistakable approval. In the next instant—as the ring of smouldering fire breaks out into open flame—the murmur of approbation swelled into something like enthusiastic applause, and the very councillor who had hitherto seemed suspicious of Number Two's credentials called out—

"Hands up, those who vote that Number Two's proposal be accepted."

Like a parcel of school-boys who shoot out eager hands for permission to reply to an easy question which has been asked by the master, the whole of the listening councillors (myself included, for I thought it wise to stimulate the enthusiasm of my quondam colleagues) held up an assenting fist.

"Against," called out the self-constituted chairman; and there being no response, he, so to speak, let fall the hammer with a decisive "nem. con."

"Thank you, brother councillors, for this mark of confidence," said Number Two. "The dynamite should not be left in that house an hour longer than is necessary. I should like, if possible, that I and whoever be appointed to work with me should catch the next train up, and I beg to propose that all other business before the council be postponed until we meet here seven days hence at midnight."

This also receiving the assent of the meeting, the council next proceeded to settle who should act with Number Two in obtaining possession of the dynamite. Lots were cast, and the duty falling to the share of Number Three, he was instructed to join Number Two in London, traveling thither by the other line, to avoid attracting attention.

"The only matter that remains for us to settle," said our self-constituted chairman, Number Two, "is that of our departure from this wagon. We must go at different times and by different routes; and as Number Two and Number Three are leaving this morning, I propose that Numbers Four and Five should wait until nightfall, and go by different routes, and that Numbers Six and Seven should leave tomorrow morning, one traveling by the Tilbury line and the other by the Great Eastern."

This was an arrangement by no means to my liking, as it would give Number Two and Number Three a day's start of me, and I had made up my mind to devote my best energies to frustrating their attempt to lay hands upon the dynamite. But, as my colleagues, Number Four, Number Five and Number Six, gave ready assent to the proposal, I did not think it wise to demur, though I confess it was with no little reluctance that I saw Number Two and Number Three depart upon their errand of devilry.

CHAPTER VII.

HOW I CAUSED A HORSE TO RUN AWAY AND THEN RAN AWAY MYSELF.

My first business after leaving the wagon next morning was to regain possession of the dead man's bag, which I was disappointed to find contained nothing more important than a false beard. I then took the train to London, and after hurriedly changing

"WHOA! WHOA!"

my clothes at my chambers, I made my way to No. 89, Fassett Square, Dalston, the house where the dynamite was concealed.

As I turned the corner of the square, a brewer's dray drew up at No. 89, and a man wearing a red cap and an apron of brown sacking jumped down and knocked at the door. It was opened by another man at the moment I was passing. Both looked curiously at me, and then the driver of the dray said, in what I thought was an unnecessarily loud voice—

"I've called for the empty barrel, and to know if you have any orders for our firm."

Had I not heard his voice I should have guessed instinctively that he was Councillor Number Two, and that the asking for "orders" and mention of "calling for the empty barrel" was a mere blind with which to deceive the casual passer-by. The man inside the house was, I had little doubt, Councillor Number Three. How he had effected an extrance I did not know, but this driving up in open daylight of a brewer's van in which to take away what was apparently an empty barrel was a piece of "bluff," which, if only by virtue of its very impudence, might well have been carried through to a successful issue.

"Oh, yes, that'll be all right," said the man who had opened the door. "You'd better come down into the cellar and fetch it."

No one happened just then to be approaching, so the instant the door was closed upon this precious pair of scoundrels, I struck the horse that was harnessed to the dray under the belly with my stick, making at the same time that peculiar clucking sound which signifies in the language current between horse and man "Go on." As I had intended, the animal plunged, and then started off down the square, the heavy van jolting behind him noisily. The sound must have reached the men inside the house, for the door was opened again hurriedly, and the two of them ran out into the road. When they saw what had happened, the fellow dressed like a brewer rushed in pursuit of the runaway, calling "Whoa! whoa!" as he went, and the other fellow, though he did not join in the chase, walked slowly after him to witness the result.

Here was my chance. I had strolled along in the opposite direction from that in which the horse was going, and the two men, having eyes only for the runaway, had not looked my way at all. Treading on tip-toe, so as not to be heard, I stepped softly back, and crouching down almost on all fours when I reached the gate, I scrambled along the pathway and into the house, banging the door after me as I entered.

In less than half a minute the door was tried, and then I heard some one, whom I took to be Number Three, muttering an oath to himself under his breath. Soon after, there was the rumble of the returning van, and putting my ear to the key-hole, I could just catch what was said by a voice which I recognized as that of Number Two.

"What are you standing there for, without a hat, you fool? Anybody would think you wanted to attract attention. Why don't you open the door and get inside?"

"I can't," was the reply. "The door blew to while I was looking after you, and the key's inside. But you've got a duplicate, luckily, so it won't much matter."

"Yes, it will, for my duplicate's at home," was the angry answer. "You've made a pretty fine mess of it, after all the trouble I've been at, to get an entrance and to arrange about the dray. Well, we can't get it without a key, and, what's more, you can't stand here bareheaded, or we are sure to be noticed. You'd best go somewhere and get a hat. In the meantime I'll get rid of the dray (we can't bring it here twice in the same day), and get my key and meet you at the corner of the square. We shall have to open the barrel and take the stuff away in bits, instead of in the lump, and it will be a risky job too. Now then, come along. We've no time to lose."

Once they were gone I began to explore the house from the top downwards. In a cupboard of the front bedroom I found a packet of plans and papers, which I commenced to overhaul. Some of them puzzled me not a little, so much so that I must have spent more time poring over them than I was aware of, for the two conspirators had not been gone very long before I heard a latchkey turn in the lock downstairs.

"We must look slippy about it," said a voice, which I recognized as that of Number Two. "It's lucky I hadn't far to go to get rid of the dray and to get the other key. We'd better go down in the cellar at once."

In another moment I heard their footsteps upon the stairs that led to the basement, so I slipped softly down into the hall, where I could still catch the sound of their voices.

[To Be Continued.]

ENGLISH COMIC ARTIST.

Has Some Very Amusing Experiences With Models—Why a Negro Objected to Being Painted.

In my early days I once tried to engage as model a big negro, who made a living out of chewing glass in sundry barrooms for the entertainment of those gathered there, says Tom Browne, in Booklovers' Magazine.

"I want to paint you," I said, when he had taken round the hat after his performance.

"What cullah, boss?" he asked, suspiciously.

"Why, natural color, of course," I replied. "I want to paint your face, you know."

"Yah, I'se not taking any, boss," he said, firmly. "The cullah I'se got is good enough for this chile."

I once nearly got hammered for making a colored sketch from life of a very respectable golf caddy in an attitude of ease, subsequently adding a street corner as a background and sending it to an exhibition under the title "A Loafer." The man came round to see me in a violent rage, said he was a bloomin,' respectable, 'igh class golf caddy and no loafer, and, if I didn't alter the title of that dashed picture, he'd either put his solicitor on to me or jolly well bash me.

Oh, yes, there's a lot of humor about if you only look for it in places where you don't expect to find it.

Some Remarkable Brains.

Dr. Matiegka of Prague, in a memoir on the brain, states that the heaviest brain he has found is that of a young man of 22 years, and 1.80 meters in height, which weighed 1,820 grammes. The female brain does not seem to rise over 1,500 grammes, and the lightest he knows about (excluding the very aged) was 1,020 grammes, that of a woman of 25 years, 1.50 meters in height. There is one of 1,000 grammes belonging to a woman of 89 years. The average male brain weighs 1,400 grammes, and the female 1,200 grammes, between 20 and 59 years. Of remarkable brains, that of Konstantinoff, a Bulgarian novelist, weighed 1,595 grammes, and that of Smetana, a composer, only 1,250 grammes. The average weight of the brain for different occupations he gives as from 1,410 to 1,440 for workmen, 1,468 for business men, professional musicians and photographers, and 1,500 for medical men and persons whose calling supposes a university education. Persons connected with the production and sale of alcoholic liquors have, as a rule, light brains.—London Globe.

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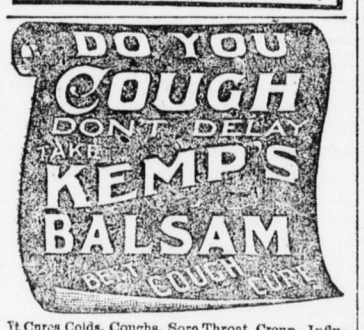

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OBEYED INSTRUCTIONS.

Photographer Planted His Camera Where He Was Told To and There Was Trouble.

The city editor summoned the photographer of his staff, relates Youth's Companion. "Col. Welligan's house is burning," he said, "and I want a picture of the fire. Get out there as quick as you can with your camera and take a view of what's left of the building, from the inside of the fence corner."

"But," said the photographer, "if—"

"That's the point I want it taken from—right in the corner."

"But I think there's—"

"I don't care whether there's a better point or not. You know what I want. Hurry up! You are losing time."

The photographer took his camera and departed. A few hours later he came in with the proof of a picture he had taken from the desired point of view.

"What is this?" asked the city editor.

"That is a photograph of the ruins of Col. Welligan's house from the inside corner of the fence, near the street."

"I can't see anything of the house."

"I can't, either," responded the photographer. "I tried to tell you there was a big tree standing between that corner and the house, but you wouldn't let me."

Mr. Grover's Case.

Frederika, Ia., Dec. 28.—Mr. A. S. Grover is now 74 years of age. For the last 30 years he has suffered a great deal of sickness, and, although he is a temperate man and never used spirits of any kind, his kidneys had troubled him very much. He said:—

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Getting Her Money's Worth.

Milly—I was weighed this afternoon and tipped the scales at 99½ pounds.

Billy—I think that if the man that had weighed you had been real generous, he would have thrown in three-quarters of a pound, and made it an even hundred.

"So do I. But he was running one of those 'You weigh for a cent' affairs. The next time I'm going to try a 'nickel-in-the-slot' machine, and maybe I'll get more for my money."—Detroit Free Press.

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An English Earl's Opinion.

The English, next to the Americans, are the greatest travelers in the world, and while they as a rule insist upon having the best there is to be obtained, they appreciate good service and beautiful scenery. The Earl of Shaftesbury, having, with his wife, spent some little time in the United States during the summer, speaks most enthusiastically in regard to what they have seen. A few days ago he said to a gentleman in Buffalo:

"Our stay in New York was a delightful one, and the picturesque grandeur along the Hudson and its surroundings was a source of much joy to us all.

"It has seldom been my good fortune to pass the time in such excellent sport as that furnished in your enchanting Adirondack Mountains."—Albany Times-Union.

Whether a man is handsome, or whether he only thinks he is, he acts just the same.—N. Y. Times.

Mrs. Fairbanks tells how neglect of warning symptoms will soon prostrate a woman. She thinks woman's safeguard is Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Ignorance and neglect are the cause of untold female suffering, not only with the laws of health but with the chance of a cure. I did not heed the warnings of headaches, organic pains, and general weariness, until I was well nigh prostrated. I knew I had to do something. Happily I did the right thing. I took **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound** faithfully, according to directions, and was rewarded in a few weeks to find that my aches and pains disappeared, and I again felt the glow of health through my body. Since I have been well I have been more careful, I have also advised a number of my sick friends to take **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound**, and they have never had reason to be sorry. Yours very truly, MRS. MAY FAIRBANKS, 216 South 7th St., Minneapolis, Minn." (Mrs. Fairbanks is one of the most successful and highest salaried travelling saleswomen in the West.)—*$5000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.*

Mrs. Pinkham invites all sick women to write her for advice. She has guided thousands to health. Address, Lynn, Mass.

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Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists.
CONSUMPTION

The Obligations of Woman

By KATHERINE POPE,
Auditor of "Letters of a Happy Poor Woman," Etc.

THERE are certain social obligations with which men are bound, but the courtesies required of women are not so definite.

Men's hats come off, as it were, automatically in response to a bow from a woman; as a rule they rise automatically (outside of street cars, editorial offices and a few other places) when a woman is seen standing; without hesitation they give her precedence. They are supposed to be reserved in speech and act before her, to avoid gossip and scandal when with her. These things have been drilled into them; they expect to do them, and everyone else expects them to. Are there any parallel obligations for women; generally imcumbent, generally demanded?

But "demanded" is a harsh word to employ in speaking of members of the gentler sex, and unfit. They are not to be coerced; if they please to be polite, man must humbly and gratefully accept their compaisance; if their attitude be the opposite, there seems little to be done.

When a talkative lady desires to free her mind in a man's hearing in regard to a friend of his, he must not hint that she is doing anything discourteous or disagreeable. When she takes it upon herself, for some whim or other, openly to refuse recognition to an acquaintance, nothing should be said; tradition allows her to know whom she will. When she is in a hurry—and whoever saw a woman when she wasn't in a hurry—of course there is no reason why she should step into line at box-office or railway agent's window; by right of her womanhood she pushes ahead.

When man is meekly acting as escort to fair lady he should, with all meekness, allow her to sweep space with her long skirts and then glare at any unlucky wight that may tread thereupon. When the culmination of play or opera approaches he should, with all haste, assist her in getting into the rustling wrap and nodding plume, and offer no suggeston—for suggestion is criticism—that there are others, a few people who may care for the finale. Or, if she be one "that waits until the crowd goes," he should not proffer any advice about rising so those farther down the row may reach the aisle, and incidentally their trains.

No, for women there are no fixed laws in regard to taking thought for others. Manners, for her, is a matter of individual pleasure.

Katherine Pope

Whip Needed in the Schools

By PROF. HENRY L. BOLTWOOD,
Principal of the Evanston Township, Ill., High School.

MAUDLIN sentimentality on the part of members of the school board, which forbids corporal punishment in our public schools of Chicago, in part is responsible for the condition of affairs which leads to the bandit evil.

Weak sentimentality protects bad boys and leads to crime. In forbidding corporal punishment you are asking of teachers what you ask of no government on earth—that they rule without power. You can try moral suasion on a hoodlum five days in the week and forty weeks in the year, and, at the end of the year he'll still be a hoodlum. Of what power is a threat to expel a pupil when what he wants most is to be expelled? "Darn you, you dassent touch me," is what they tell their teachers.

Three things are necessary if we would cure the bandit evil—establishment of free kindergartens, enforcement of the truant laws and restoration, to principals at least, of the power of corporal punishment.

One woman cannot expect to rule fifty-four boys from the streets unless she have some authority to back her up. The teachers of Chicago cannot make honest men of street hoodlums unless the power of corporal punishment is restored to them. This moral suasion idea is too theoretical to work—it is mere weak sentimentality.

True Patriotism

By WOODROW WILSON,
President of Princeton University.

DISTRUST the patriotism of a man who is always spending his feeling upon some distant object, whose energy does not seek the nearest duty, but the more remote. Every citizen who is thoughtful of the welfare of his country should seek to see and understand his nearest duty, and to do it with all thoughtfulness and yet without impatience.

Patience is indeed, though one of the most difficult, yet one of the most indispensable virtues in a polity like our own, for the essence of that polity is consultation, movement, not singly or in chosen groups, but in the mass and multitude, so that in whatever we think or purpose we must carry masses of men with us, and so we need the sort of patience which is full of hope and equally full of persistence.

We need constant and frank talk also about affairs local and national—full, uncolored information, courage to select and use the right arguments and push the right motives. Every effort is worth while which leads even to the slightest betterment, and no discouragement of temporary failure ought to hold us back from the long fight to put the knowledge and the practice of what is right at the front at all times and in every contest.

The Conversion Age

By DR. WILLIAM E. BARTON,
Pastor First Congregational Church, Oak Park, Ill.

THERE is little chance for the conversion of any man after he has passed the age of 23. The spiritual period of girls is 16 and of boys 17. This is the giggling and gum-chewing age of girls and the awkward age of boys.

General education has little effect on the spiritual phenomenon known as conversion. It occurs in the spiritually perfect period of human life, and what is to be done with the child spiritually must be done between the ages of 12 and 17. Too much emphasis cannot be placed on the teaching of a child to distinguish the coarsening influence of such things as the low vaudeville and the penny arcade with its indecent pictures.

Any thing that makes the child clean, healthy and happy is not to be despised. The spiritual nature must always be paramount. It is the spiritual character that justifies the spending of thousands of dollars on the training of Helen Keller and it was the spiritual nature that justified the calling of a surgeon accounted the best in Europe to America to treat a single child.

HOT TIME OUT WEST.

United States Senator Indicted by Federal Grand Jury.

Charged with Trafficking in the Appointment of Postmasters—Accused Official Denies Claims of His Enemies.

When the federal grand jury sitting at Omaha returned three indictments on November 16 against United States Senator Charles H. Dietrich, of Nebraska, charged with trafficking in the appointment of postmasters, it established a record which has never been equaled. Never before in the history of the country has a United States senator been officially accused of selling government positions.

The specific charge in this case was that Senator Dietrich had accepted a bribe in connection with the appointment of Jacob Fisher as postmaster at Hastings, Neb., and also with conspiring against the United States in connection with the same case.

Rumors began to be circulated more than a year ago that all was not right with Mr. Dietrich's appointments. It was said that Postmaster Fisher, of Hastings, had even complained that his appointment had cost so much money that he could not afford to contribute to the regular campaign fund. Several other appointments in the South Platte country, which is Mr. Dietrich's recognized district, were said to have been made for money.

These rumors became so strong that they finally attracted the attention of the federal grand jury. The appointment of Jacob Fisher as postmaster at Hastings was the first case presented to the grand jury.

The New York Herald says that evidence before the grand jury was to this effect: Mr. Dietrich owned a building in Hastings which he wished to rent to the government for $1,800 annually. He negotiated with the department on these terms, but the postmaster, Hahn, refused to approve the contract. Later the rental was lowered to $1,300 a year, after which Mr. Hahn approved and signed the agreement, with the additional proviso that Mr. Dietrich should provide the office furniture at his own expense.

Jacob Fisher, who was an applicant for the post office, was informed that he could have the appointment provided he would purchase the post-office furniture, which must be left in the room on his

CHARLES H. DIETRICH.
(First United States Senator Ever Indicted by Grand Jury.)

retirement from the office. He was also to pay Mr. Dietrich $200 a year it is declared, as side rent for the building Leopold Hahn, the former postmaster, is said to have testified that Mr. Fisher also executed a note for $2,500 to Dietrich in further payment of the appointment. Fisher received the appointment.

Since the Hastings investigation the appointments at Orleans, Alma, Arapahoe, Fairbury and Wilsonville have been subjected to rigid examinations, and with the exception of the Alma case no votes have been taken by the jury. Eliott Lowe, a business and personal friend of Dietrich, has been indicted for alleged conspiracy in connection with the appointment at Alma. Postmaster Mitchell, of Alma, has also been indicted for alleged conspiracy to defraud the government.

Mr. Dietrich's rise from an Illinois farmer boy to a bank president and United States senator is a story of hard work, ability, courage and determination. Starting in life without a cent, he has pushed himself forward to his present position of wealth and influence. He has been a retail dry goods clerk in Chicago, ordinary workman on a southern plantation and a miner. It was while working in the mines of the Black Hills that he got his start in life by "striking it rich."

Two years after Gen. Custer first entered the "Hills" Mr. Dietrich was there, searching for gold. And when he found it he showed his good sense by leaving the mines forever and returning to civilization. Settling at Hastings, Neb., he invested in lands and organized the German national bank, of which he is the president. His lands increased in value and he grew wealthy. The country was settled by Germans, of whom Mr. Dietrich was leader. He entered politics. In 1900 he was elected governor and one year later United States senator.

Begging as a Fine Art.

A strange way of arousing sympathy and winning contributions of money is pursued by a beggar in Paris. Choosing a tree near which children are playing, he deliberately hangs himself; then he groans to attract attention. Their cries bring help, and he is cut down and relieved. A letter in his pocket describes his needy condition, and his reason for suicide. He is given money, and sent on his way rejoicing.

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Ozark, Ala.

Weak and unhealthy kidneys are responsible for many kinds of diseases, and if permitted to continue much suffering with *fatal results are sure to follow*. Kidney trouble irritates the nerves, makes you dizzy, restless, sleepless and irritable. Makes you pass water often during the day and obliges you to get up many times during the night. Unhealthy kidneys cause rheumatism, gravel, catarrh of the bladder, pain or dull ache in the back, joints and muscles; makes your head ache and back ache, causes indigestion, stomach and liver trouble, you get a sallow, yellow complexion, makes you feel as though you had heart trouble; you may have plenty of ambition, but no strength; get weak and waste away.

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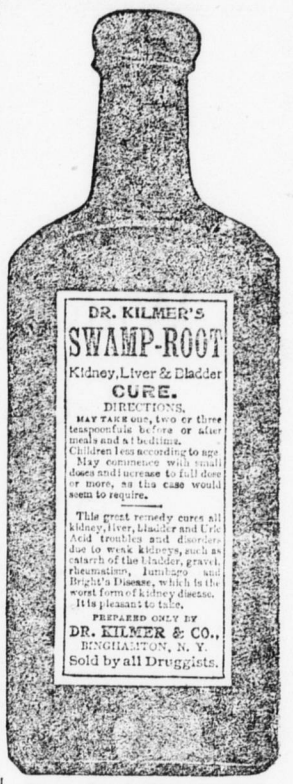
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DEATH RATE LESS.

Inroads of Consumption In New York City Have Been Reduced 40 Per Cent. In Recent Years.

Since 1881 the death rate from pulmonary tuberculoses in New York city has fallen from 4.2 per 1,000 to 2.29 per 1,000, a reduction of more than 40 per cent. This is set forth in a circular of information just issued regarding measures adopted by the board of health for the sanitary supervision of tuberculosis in the city. Since the disease was recognized as infectious the board registers all cases of pulmonary tuberculosis at the department of health.

The board also furnishes instructions as to measures to prevent infection; disinfects or orders the renovation of all premises which have been occupied by persons suffering with the disease; provides as far as possible for charitable assistance and hospital care for cases needing it; educates the general public as to the nature of the disease, the precautions to be taken against its spread, and the advisability of institution and sanitarium treatment. As a result of these and other similar measures a great impression has been made in the fight against the disease.

Deserves Punishment.

A New York man signed his love letters "Swak." This, according to the lady who got the letters and is using them as evidence in a suit for breach of promise, means "sealed with a kiss." Guilty or not, the man who swakked should be swatted.

Cheerfulness is an offshoot of goodness and of wisdom.—Bovee.

Bad men excuse their faults, good men will leave them.—Johnson.

"I came near marrying that girl once." "Did her parents object?"

Happiness is an equivalent for all troublesome things.—Epictetus.

Worry is the worst wolf that comes to our doors.—Chicago Tribune.

Even in a restaurant a man may reveal his religion.—Ram's Horn.

Luxury is apt to transform pleasures into burdens.—Chicago Daily News.

The man who puts his heart in his work is using good material.—Puck.

The religion of success is never successful in religion.—Chicago Tribune.

A man may be won by flattery; he can be retained only by cookery.—Life.

"Some men," said Uncle Eben, "says dey don't care fur money, when as a matter of fack dey means dey ain't able to take care of it."—Washington Star.

"You say you saw my sister at a recent wedding?" "Yes. It wasn't very long ago." "But I don't remember that she mentioned you." "Very likely. I was only the groom."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Dangerous for Him.

Mrs. Church—Did you ever catch your husband flirting?

Mrs. Gotham—That's the way I did catch him.—Stray Stories.

Town Against Town.

"Is it true," asked the funny individual from Cleveland, "that trains don't stop at Cincinnati unless they are flagged?"

"Well, even if it is true, it might be worse," said the Cincinnati man. "I understand they never stop at Cleveland because the engineers can't see the place."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

A Gentle Hint.

"I—er—had a peculiar dream about you last night," s[illegible]e girl on the other end of the sofa.

"And wha[illegible]d you dream?" asked the young man[illegible]he case.

"That I saw you in a jewelry store pricing engagement rings," she blushingly replied.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

A Remarkable Discovery.

A German chemist has discovered a healing agent in coal oil which has created quite a sensation amongst sufferers wherever it has been tested, on account of the wonderful cures accomplished by its use. A few applications are sufficient to cure muscular Rheumatism, Neuralgia, headache, tooth, ear or backache, lameness, sprains, chilblains, in fact [illegible] severe pain. It is sold in drug stores as Dr. Bayer's Penetrating Oil in 25c. and 50c. bottles and warranted to cure or money refunded.

Cruel Rejoinder.

Cholly Nimrod—Aw—and when is the season I can't shoot?

Guide—Three hundred and sixty-five days in the year.—N. Y. Sun.

Rheumatism's Killing Pain

left in quick order after taking 10 doses of Dr. Skirvin's Rheumatic Cure, in tablet form. 25 doses for 25c, postpaid. DR. SKIRVIN CO., La Crosse, Wis. [k. l.]

The doing of a duty sows the seed of a delight.—Ram's Horn.

Do not believe Piso's Cure for Consumption has an equal for coughs and colds.—J. F. Boyer, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 15, 1900.

Men often make up in wrath what they want in reason.—Alger.

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and works off the cold. Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. Price 25 cents

The wastes of wealth lead to the wail of want.—Ram's Horn.

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"Did she return your affection?" "Yes, unopened."—Detroit Free Press.

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Genius gets the lime light, but hustle gathers in the dollars.

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Mr. John H. Cullom, Editor of the Gerland, Texas, News has written a letter of congratulations to the manufacturers of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as follows: "Sixteen years ago when our first child was a baby he was subject to croupy spells and we would be very uneasy about him. We began using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in 1887, and finding it such a reliable remedy for colds and croup, we have never been without it in the house since that time. We have five children and have given it to all of them with good results. One good feature of this remedy is that it is not disagreeable to take and our babies really like it. Another is that it is not dangerous, and there is no risk from giving an overdose. I congratulate you upon the success of your remedy." For sale by Jno. E. Smith, Sterling Run.

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ELECTION NOTICE.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK,
Emporium, Pa., Dec. 10th, 1903.

THE annual meeting of the stock-holders for the election of a Board of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may be laid before them, will be held at the Bank on Tuesday, January 12, 1904, between the hours of one and three in the afternoon.

T. B. LLOYD, Cashier.

Executrix Notice.

Estate of PHOEBE SCHOUTEN, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that letters testamentary upon the estate of PHOEBE SCHOUTEN, of Emporium, Pa., deceased, have been granted to the undersigned, to whom all claims must be presented and debts paid.

LILLIE MARY CRUM.

Emporium, Pa., Jan. 4th, 1904.—

Notice of Execu[illegible].

Estate of RHODA E. RUSSELL, Deceased.

LETTERS testamentary on the estate of Rhoda J Russel, late of the borough of Emporium, Cameron county, Pennsylvania, deceased, have been granted to Hattie I. Russell, residing in said Borough, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands, will make known the same without delay.

HATTIE I. RUSSELL, Executrix.
GREEN & SHAFFER, Solicitors.
December 4th, 1903.—12-6t.

District Court of the United States, Middle District of Pennsylvania.

In the matter of Richard Pierce Bingeman, Bankrupt. } In Bankruptcy, No. 399.

To the creditors of Richard Pierce Bingeman, of Emporium, in the county of Cameron and District aforesaid, a bankrupt:

Notice is hereby given that on the 19th day of December, A. D., 1903, the said Richard Pierce Bingeman was duly adjudicated bankrupt; and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at Emporium, Pa., in the office of M. M. Larrabee, on the 22nd day of January, A. D., 1904, at one o'clock in the afternoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

ALONZO R. MOORE,
Referee in Bankruptcy.
Coudersport, Pa., January 2nd, A. D., 1904.

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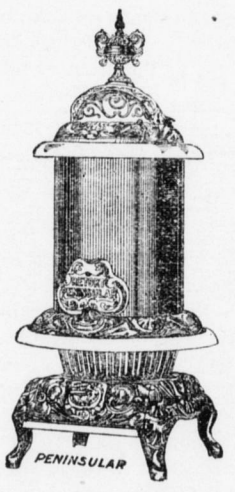

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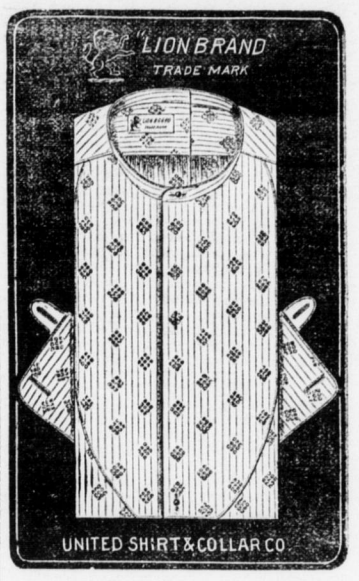

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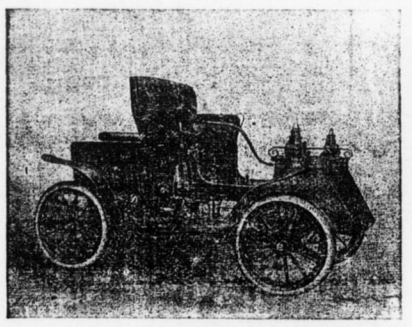

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